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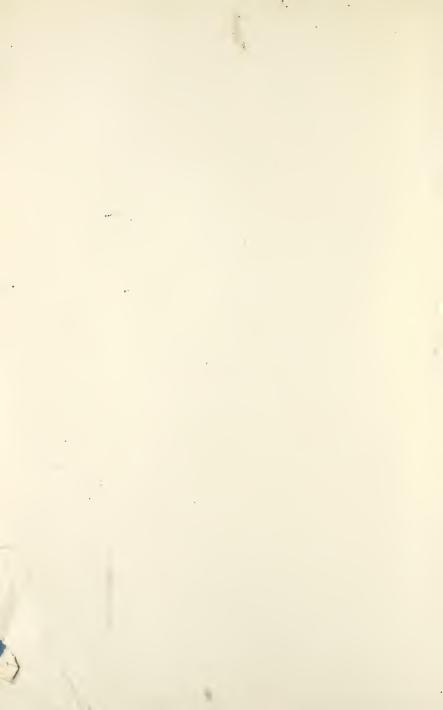
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CALENDAR

- 1902—Organized at Winston-Salem, in May
- 1902-First Annual Meeting, Winston-Salem, in October
- 1903—Second Annual Meeting, Concord, in October
- 1904—Meeting unavoidably postponed
- 1905-Third Annual Meeting, Goldsboro, in May
- 1906-Fourth Annual Meeting, Charlotte, in May
- 1907-Fifth Annual Meeting, Wilmington, in April
- 1908-Sixth Annual Meeting, Greensboro, in May
- 1909-Seventh Annual Meeting, Raleigh, in May
- 1910-Eighth Annual Meeting, Henderson, in May
- 1911-Ninth Annual Meeting, Asheville, in May
- 1912-Tenth Annual Meeting, Winston-Salem, in May
- 1913-Eleventh Annual Meeting, New Bern, in May
- 1914—Twelfth Annual Meeting, Fayetteville, in May
- 1915-Thirteenth Annual Meeting, Goldsboro, in May
- 1916—Fourteenth Annual Meeting, High Point, in May
- 1917-Fifteenth Annual Meeting, Durham, in May

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

Will be held in Raleigh, May 21, 22, 23, 24, 1918

The Executive Board will meet in Winston-Salem, October 24,

1917

The Council will meet in Winston-Salem, October 24, 25, 26, 1917

PRESIDENTS

- Mrs. Lindsey Patterson, 1902-1905
- Mrs. J. T. Alderman, 1905-1907
- Miss Margaret Lovell Gibson, 1907-1909
- Mrs. Eugene Reilley, 1909-1911
- Mrs. Robert Cotten, 1911-1913
- Miss Adelaide L. Fries, 1913-1915
- Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, 1915-1917
- Mrs. Clarence Johnson, 1917-1919

OFFICERS OF NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION

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Mrs. R. R. Cotten Bruce		
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President		
Mrs. Clarence A. Johnson		
First Vice-President		
Mrs. Charles C. Hook		
Second Vice-President		
Mrs. James M. Gudger, Jr Asheville		
Recording Secretary		
Miss Clara I. Cox High Point		
Corresponding Secretary		
Mrs. W. Thomas Bost Raleigh		
Treasurer		
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Miss Adelaide L. Fries Winston-Salem		
Auditor		
Mrs. T. D. Jones Durham		

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

OFFICERS

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Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. Frances D. Everett Highland Park, Illinois

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General Federation Director for North Carolina

Mrs. Robert R. Cotten Bruce, N. C.

General Federation State Secretary

Miss Margaret L. Gibson Wilmington

NORTH CAROLINA CLUBS DIRECTLY FEDERATED

North Carolina Sorosis Wilmington
Woman's Club Charlotte
Woman's Club New Bern
Woman's Club Waynesville
Woman's Club Asheville
Friday Afternoon Club Greensboro
Sesame Club Faison
Woman's Club Greensboro
Friday Book Club Asheville

DELEGATES TO 1918 BIENNIAL, HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Miss Clara I. Cox, Mrs. T. D. Jones, Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper, Mrs. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Mrs. M. L. Stover, Mrs. Gordon Finger, Mrs. T. P. Jerman, Miss Bettie Windley, Miss Elizabeth Schwarburg.

Alternates to 1918 Biennial, Hot Springs, Ark.

Miss Julia Thorns, Mrs. E. F. Reid, Miss Mary M. Petty, Mrs. A. H. Powell, Mrs. S. E. Dilworth, Mrs. Walter Woodward, Mrs. Elmo Powell, Mrs. C. D. Bradham, Mrs. Gilmer Korner.

DATE OF HOT SPRINGS BIENNIAL

May 1 to 8, 1918

DEPARTMENTS OF GENERAL FEDERATION

ART

Mrs. Cyrus E. Perkins, Chairman 327 Washington St., S. E., Grand Rapids, Michigan

CIVICS

Mrs. Bessie Leach Priddy, Chairman 502 Forest Avenue, Ypsilanti, Michigan

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

Mrs. Frederick H. Cole, Chairman 1810 Spencer St., Omaha, Nebraska

CONSERVATION

Mrs. John Dickinson Sherman, Chairman
Chicago Woman's Club, 410 S. Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois (November to May).
Long's Peak, Estes Park, Colorado (May to
November).

EDUCATION

Miss Mary E. Parker, Chairman
Western Reserve University, Ford Drive and
Bellflower Road, Cleveland, Ohio

HOME ECONOMICS

Mrs. Joseph C. Gawler, Chairman 1401 W. Chestnut Street, North Yakima, Washington

INDUSTRIAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Mrs. John B. Webb, Chairman
48 Woodland Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey

LEGISLATION

Miss Mary Wood, Chairman
250 Arcay Building, Albany, New York

LITERATURE AND LIBRARY EXTENSION

Mrs. True Worthy White, Chairman 122 Appleton St., Arlington Heights, Massachusetts

MUSIC

Mrs. William D. Steele, Chairman 604 Broadway, Sedalia, Missouri

PUBLIC HEALTH

Mrs. Elmer Blair, Chairman 815 West 180th St., New York City

DEPARTMENTS

ART

Miss May Davis, Chairman Raleigh

Mrs. Marshall Williams, Vice-Chairman Faison

WEAVING

Mrs. A. L. Capehart Oxford

BASKETRY

Miss Daphne Carraway Raleigh

HOME DECORATION

Mrs. W. C. A. Hammel Greensboro

CIVICS

Mrs. John W. Petty, Chairman Greensboro

CIVIC ART AND SANITATION

Mrs. K. R. Beckwith

JUNIOR CIVICS AND HOME GARDENING

Miss Ada Blair High Point

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Mrs. U. N. Brooks Durham

CONSERVATION

Miss Julia A. Thorns, Chairman Asheboro

FORESTRY

Mrs. Charles Ives

BIRDS

Mrs. W. D. Toy Chapel Hill

ARBOR DAY

Mrs. W. H. Jasspon Charlotte

EDUCATION

Miss Mary Owen Graham Raleigh

ILLITERACY

Mrs. J. S. Williams
Asheville

SCHOLARSHIPS AND SALLIE SOUTHALL COTTEN LOAN FUND

Mrs. S. L. Dill, Jr. New Bern

COOPERATION WITH SCHOOLS

Miss Mary G. Shotwell Oxford

HEALTH

Miss Elizabeth Schwarburg, Chairman Southern Pines

COMMUNITY NURSING

Mrs. A. J. Owen High Point

ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS WORK

Mrs. Elmo Powell
Whiteville

BETTER BABIES

Mrs. R. J. Jones Henderson

HOME ECONOMICS

Mrs. W. J. Jones, Chairman Salemburg FOOD SANITATION

Miss S. Elizabeth Bolton
Asheville

CLOTHING

Mrs. R. D. Caldwell Lumberton

HOME ECONOMICS IN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Miss Minnie Jamieson Raleigh

LIBRARY EXTENSION

Miss Mary Ragan, Chairman Gastonia

Mrs. A. A. McClean Gastonia Mrs. A. H. Powell

Mrs. S. L. Davis High Point

LITERATURE

Mrs. Hugh A. Murrill, Chairman Charlotte

Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle
Davidson

Mrs. Charles E. Platt Charlotte

Mrs. W. H. Pitman Raleigh Miss Anne Pierce Charlotte

Miss Nellie Roberson Chapel Hill

MUSIC

Mrs. J. Norman Wills, Chairman Greensboro

COMMUNITY MUSIC

Mrs. C. P. Wharton Raleigh

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Mrs. William A. French Wilmington

SCHOOL MUSIC

Miss Laura G. Doub Greensboro

SOCIAL SERVICE

Mrs. R. L. Justice, Chairman Greensboro

SOCIAL WELFARE

Mrs. C. R. Hoey Shelby

CHILD WELFARE

North Carolina Children's Home

Mrs. A. H. Powell Oxford

INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS

Mrs. Chas. L. Coon Wilson

NOTICES AND SUGGESTIONS

- 1. The Corresponding Secretary should be promptly informed when there are changes in club officers.
- 2. Sub-chairmen and department members are appointed by the chairman for one year at a time.
- 3. Every chairman should, with the assistance of her committee, become familiar with the conditions and needs of her state along her particular line of work.
- 4. Each chairman is expected to keep a careful record of all her work, and to hand it with a copy of her yearly report to her successor upon retiring from office.
- Chairmen are expected to make a report of the year's work at the annual meeting and to deliver the typewritten report to the Recording Secretary.
- Individual club reports must be sent to the Recording Secretary before July 1st of each year.
- 7. Extra copies of the North Carolina Federation Year Book may be obtained at 10 cents each from the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. Thomas Bost, Raleigh.
- 8. "Parliamentary Usage for Women's Clubs," by Mrs. Emma A. Fox, has been adopted by the State Federation, as well as by the General Federation, as parliamentary authority. Copies of the manual, revised and enlarged edition, may be secured through the General Federation Magazine, 409 Pearl Street, New York; price \$1.00, postpaid.

STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE

Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper, Chairman Henderson		
Mrs. A. A. Joseph Goldsboro		
Mrs. W. T. Carter Winston-Salem		
MEMBERSHIP		
Mrs. M. L. Stover, Chairman Wilmington		
Mrs. R. L. Gwyn Lenoir		
Mrs. W. Thomas Bost (ex-officio) Raleigh		
LEGISLATION		
Mrs. J. R. Chamberlain, Chairman		
Mrs. Al Fairbrother Greensboro		
Mrs. Joe Brown Chadbourne		
BUREAU OF INFORMATION		
Mrs. A. H. Powell Oxford		
CHAIRMAN OF DISTRICTS		
Mrs. E. F. Reid Lenoir		
PUBLICITY		
Miss Bettie Windley, Chairman New Bern		
Mrs. B. E. Moore, Assistant Chairman New Bern		
PROGRAM		
Miss Gertrude Weil Goldsboro		
CUSTODIAN		
Mrs. Clarence Johnson Raleigh		

SALLIE SOUTHALL COTTEN LOAN FUND

An educational loan fund for girls. The fund was begun, through the Education Department, in 1909. It was named at the New Bern Convention, in 1913, in honor of Mrs. Sallie Southall Cotten.

Loans are made to girls selected by the Scholarship Committee of the Education Department. Interest is remitted if a loan is repaid within two years after a girl leaves school, otherwise interest at six per cent. is charged from date of the note.

The first loan was made in 1911. Money repaid is lent to new applicants.

See report of Treasurer for present standing of the fund.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION ENDOWMENT FUND

This endowment fund was founded in 1911 for the purpose of providing a steady source of revenue, apart from dues. The principal is invested in six per cent. notes, secured by real estate mortgages. It was agreed that interest should be added to the principal until the fund reached \$5,000.00; thereafter the interest should be used for Federation purposes as ordered by the Annual Meeting. Investment of this fund is in the hands of the Board of Trustees.

See report of Treasurer for the present standing of the fund.

TRUSTEES OF NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Mrs.	Clarence Johnson, ex-officio
	Sidney P. Cooper, ex-officio Henderson
	D. Y. Cooper (term expires 1919) Henderson
Miss	Adelaide L. Fries (term expires 1921) Winston-Salem
	R. R. Cotten (term expires 1923) Bruce

Raleigh

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Each Year Book that is issued should embody not only a history of the year's achievements, but contain something of prophecy as well. We present the Year Book of 1917-1918 with a degree of satisfaction in so far as it records the events of the past year, and to my predecessor, Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, who served the Federation so loyally and so well, do I tender the honor of reviewing that which has been accomplished during her regime as President.

As to the future, surely no President ever went into office with a greater degree of uncertainty as to what her duties might be or where her responsibility might lead her as your present chief executive. When the Federation elected me President at Durham, May, 1917, our country was at war, the regular routine of life in all its phases likely to become demoralized, all the world seemed "topsy-turvy," with any definite plans or outline of work for the future appearing impossible. Since that time, however, a very clear conception of our duty as club women and the relation in which we stand to the issues of the day has been given me and I pass it on to you.

While we must hold ourselves in readiness to undertake any line of patriotic service that is asked of us, we must above all hold fast to our club interests and become more than ever actively engaged in the things we have been doing which are so well worth our while. The preservation of the home, the home in its broadest sense, which includes our neighbor as our responsibility, is woman's supreme obligation, and to the club women, trained in a continual effort for the betterment of humanity, do I feel that it has been given to keep safe the "Ideals of Democracy." Education, public health, home economics, civics, and social service demand our interest now more than ever, so that when we come victorious out of this war it will not be to begin again a demoralized home and civic life. The children of our state must be better educated

to make them more worthy citizens of the greater nation we are to build. Public health needs to be stressed more urgently than ever before, for it is inevitable that we shall feel the loss of many of our physicians who will be called to the front and it is in preventive and educational work along this line wherein our safety lies. In civics, had we ever a greater need to realize that our duty is not ended at our own gate, but that civic consciousness should lead us to the giving of something of beauty or cleanliness to the community in which we live? As to our Social Service interest there seems to be no boundary line, but the clubs are urged to cooperate with the department in an effort to establish children's societies in towns where there are none, with a view to caring for and protecting the dependent and mistreated child, investigate our laws regarding juveniles, find out what good laws we have that are not enforced, and what is needed in the way of legislation, urge the need of improved prison conditions in our state, and the establishment of a Travelers' Aid in every town of importance in North Carolina.

Home economics and its vital relation to human welfare was never so evident as it is today and an unlimited field of usefulness is given this department. Conservation, library extension, art, literature and music, none of these can we afford to neglect, no matter what other and newer interests demand our attention.

Women are called upon to bear a heavy burden. Our country calls us to give to this new time and crisis the new service that is necessary. We are being tried in the crucible of sacrifice, even to the giving of our own flesh and blood. It is for us to cast aside traditions and customs that have bound us in the past and set the example of the new standard of life. Many women have accepted the responsibility cheerfully and courageously, but many, alas, are still indifferent. May God help every one of us to measure up to the high ideal of cheerful, self-sacrificing, loyal service, which is the club woman's standard of womanhood.

Very sincerely,

Raleigh, July, 1917.

KATE BURR JOHNSON.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT GENERAL

To the members of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs:

Dear Friends: The call to service rings more loudly than ever. Our nation is at war in defense of human rights and in order that the world may be "made safe for democracy." The highest patriotic duty we can render under the present circumstances is to set the example of right living and self-sacrifice. The General Federation Food Conservation Pledge, adopted at the New Orleans Council Meeting April 12th, has been widely distributed through all State Federations. Our Government, through Mr. Herbert Hoover, Food Director, is seeking to reach every home in the land with a similar pledge. All women are urged to cooperate in the conservation of the food supply of the nation. Sign these pledges; get your neighbors and friends to do likewise; and then live up to their requirements.

The Red Cross presents unlimited opportunities for remedial efforts. There should be branches in all towns; club houses should be opened for their accommodation.

The aim of the eleven departments of work of the General Federation of Women's Clubs is the development and conservation of human efficiency. All chairmen have issued definite lists of the activities under which they believe their workers can severally serve the public need in this crisis. If you have not already received copies, write for them at once.

We urge national prohibition in behalf of the manhood and womanhood of our country as the fundamental step in the conservation of the physical strength and moral force of our nation. We urge you to bring the power of the clubs of your state to bear upon the effort of the Secretary of War, through your Governor, to surround training camps and military posts with a wholesome and moral environment. On June 8th, which was Woman's Day of Liberty Loan week, the General Federation invested \$18,300.00 in Liberty Loan Bonds. When the next issue of these bonds is made, you are urged to cooperate in their sale.

April 21st the Woman's Committee of the Council of National Defense was appointed to unify and coordinate the woman power of the country. The plan of organization adopted almost parallels that of our own. It is therefore easy for us to cooperate and to urge the most hearty and loyal support of this effort of our government to bring into closer relationship the organized womanhood of America. It is not the purpose of this committee that any organization should lose its identity, or that already established work shall be interrupted.

In all our activities, and with the multitudinous cares that press upon our life at this time, we must not forget "the preservation of those inner defenses of our national life, both material and spiritual, which if allowed to weaken must weaken the entire national structure." Let hatred have no place in our hearts.

Yours with courage and sympathy,

IONE V. H. COWLES.

MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

(Abridged)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND, 9:30 A. M.

The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs convened in the Administration Building, Trinity College, Durham, N. C., Wednesday, May 2nd, 1917, at 9:30 a. m., the President, Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, presiding. After the invocation, which was made by Rev. S. S. Bost, the Federation Song was sung by the Convention, with Mrs. W. A. French pianist.

The following committees were appointed by the chair:

Rules and Regulations: Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Winston-Salem; Miss Elizabeth Randolph, Lenoir; Mrs. F. M. Pickett, High Point.

Credentials: Miss Elizabeth Schwarburg, Southern Pines; Mrs. Frank C. Brown, Durham; Miss Adelaide L. Fries, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Elmo Powell, Whiteville.

Resolutions: Miss Bettie Windley, New Bern; Mrs. E. F. Reid, Lenoir; Mrs. Geo. Lay, Raleigh; Mrs. C. E. Platt, Charlotte; Miss Hattie Berry, Chapel Hill.

After a few brief remarks by the President, reports of the officers were called for. Report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. L. Stover, was read and accepted. Miss Clara I. Cox then read her report as Recording Secretary. The report was accepted.

A resume of the work of the Executive Board was then read by the Recording Secretary. The report was accepted by the convention.

The report on Rules and Regulations was then presented by Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Chairman of committee. The following rules were suggested: That the doors be closed during sessions; that the program be carried out as far as possible as printed; that no person be allowed to speak twice on the same subject; that no person be allowed to speak until recognized by the chair; that no person shall speak more than two minutes, and it was suggested that the ladies remove their hats.

The report was accepted and the rules adopted by the convention.

Mrs. M. L. Stover then read section of constitution referring to nominating committee. The terms of the following officers expire at this time: Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, President; Mrs. Charles C. Hook, Second Vice-President; Mrs. M. L. Stover, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. O. Max Gardner, Auditor. The Nominating Committee was then elected as follows: Mrs. J. R. Chamberlain, of Raleigh; Mrs. H. W. Chase, of Chapel Hill; Mrs. Gordon Finger, of Charlotte; Mrs. C. L. Ives, of New Bern, and Miss Gertrude Weil, of Goldsboro.

Report of the Board of Trustees was then submitted by Mrs. D. Y. Cooper, which was duly accepted by the convention.

Miss Adelaide Fries, Treasurer, then submitted a most gratifying report. The acceptance of this report was deferred until after the Auditor's report had been made.

Mrs. E. F. Reid, of Lenoir, presented report of Membership Committee. This report showed 33 additions during the year. Delegates from these new clubs then came forward upon request and were greeted most cordially by the President and given a hearty welcome into the Federation. Upon motion the report was accepted with thanks.

Report of the District Chairman, Mrs. W. B. Waddill, of Henderson, was then submitted. A map was effectively used by Mrs. Waddill in explaining the location of the different districts of the state. The report was accepted with thanks,

Reports from the following sub-chairmen of District Committees were then heard: Miss Hunt for Mrs. J. T. Lowe, Third District; Mrs. Gordon Finger, Fourth District; Mrs. U. L. Spence, Fifth District; Mrs. C. D. Bradham, Eighth District; Mrs. Waddill for Miss Westbrook, Ninth District; Mrs. Richard Williams, Tenth District. Mrs. T. D. Jones and Mrs. Gilbert C. White were then recognized by the chair and

Mrs. Jones extended an invitation to luncheon on behalf of the Durham Civic Association.

After an intermission of fifteen minutes the convention assembled in memorial to Susan Moses Graham, with Mrs. R. R. Cotten, Honorary President, presiding. After a few touching remarks by the Honorary President, Rev. W. T. Moss, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Chapel Hill, read a selection from the 5th chapter of Matthew, followed by prayer. A memorial was then read by Dr. Archibald Henderson, of Chapel Hill. Mrs. J. S. Holmes, of Chapel Hill, told of Mrs. Graham's "Life in the Community"; Mrs. Al Fairbrother, of Greensboro, spoke on Mrs. Graham's relation to the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

Adjourned for luncheon, courtesy of Durham Civic Association.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND, 2:30 P. M.

The convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Lingle, who requested the Second Vice-President, Mrs. C. C. Hook, to preside. The subject before the convention was Rural Welfare and Community Building. Miss Daisy B. Waitt, of Greenville, Chairman of Education, presented her report, which was accepted.

Mrs. E. C. Brooks, of Durham, was recognized by the chair and extended an invitation to the delegates and their hostesses to attend a garden party given by the Julian S. Carr Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy at the residence of Col. and Mrs. W. A. Erwin at 5:30.

Dr. Carroll gave a few timely remarks on the necessity of increasing the amount of the Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund.

Mrs. C. L. Coon, of Wilson, made an interesting talk on "Our State High Schools and Their Part in Rural Welfare."

Following this, the Chairman of Health, Miss Elizabeth Schwarburg, of Southern Pines, made her report. The report contained congratulations from Dr. McBrayer for the splendid work accomplished by the Federated Clubs.

Miss Kate Herring, of the Board of Health, explained in what ways the State Board of Health could render assistance

to the Federation and asked for their cooperation. The most important features urged by Miss Herring were: Baby week campaign, Red Cross seal campaign, clean up campaign, Red Cross first aid work. The State Board has no funds to offer, but does have an abundance of free literature. Mrs. Stover read a letter from Dr. McBrayer to Mrs. Lingle, commending the interest taken by women's clubs in health work.

Mrs. W. H. Jasspon, of Charlotte, Chairman of School Gardening, made a most interesting and instructive address on this subject. Dr. Claxton's suggestion that a garden supervisor for every one hundred school children be officially provided was heartily endorsed.

Miss Mary C. Shotwell, of Oxford, spoke most interestingly on Mobilizing Rural Forces for Community Building.

A round table discussion on "How Has Your Club Contributed to Community Upbuilding," was entered into heartily.

Among those taking part in the discussion were Mrs. Miller, President of the Betterment Association of Gastonia; Mrs. Forkner, of Asheville; Miss Graham, of Raleigh; Miss Carroway, of Raleigh Betterment Association; Mrs. Gudger, of Asheville; Miss Fries; Mrs. Justice. Dr. Carroll commended the farmers' institutes and the work which the women are doing in these organizations. Others taking part in the discussion were Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Monroe, and Mrs. Johnson. Miss Cox advocated appointment of club extension committees. Mrs. Cotten spoke in tenderest terms of her rural sister, and made some timely suggestions as to ways and methods of working with the women in the rural districts.

Mr. Young, State Fire Insurance Commissioner, was recognized by the chair and invited to the platform. Mr. Young spoke of the enormous waste of property and lives by inadequate fire prevention. It was noted that in one year 324 lives were lost by fire in our state and of this number two-thirds were women and children. Mr. Young stated that his department stood ready to cooperate with the women's clubs in their endeavor in this line of work. Motion was made by Mrs. Chamberlain that a resolution be formulated to cooperate with Commissioner Young and the fire department. Motion carried.

The convention adjourned to attend a garden party at the home of Mrs. W. A. Erwin.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND, 8.30 P. M.

The convention assembled in Craven Memorial Hall, Trinity College, at 8:30, Mrs. T. W. Lingle presiding.

Mrs. T. D. Jones, President of the Durham Civic Association, delivered an address of welcome to the convention, extending a most cordial welcome on behalf of the Durham Civic Association.

Miss Pearl Bronson, musical director of Louisburg College, charmingly rendered two vocal solo selections.

Dr. W. P. Few, president of Trinity College, extended greetings of welcome on behalf of the college. He said it was particularly appropriate at this time of national stress to have the women's clubs present, because they had a common interest in the causes of mankind.

Mr. B. S. Skinner, mayor of the City of Durham, then welcomed the convention on behalf of the city. The mayor commented on the different conventions that had been held in Durham during the last few years, but that none had more noble purposes or higher motives than the Women's Clubs of North Carolina.

Response to these cordial words of welcome was made by Mrs. Clarence Johnson, of Raleigh, First Vice-President.

Mrs. Thrash, President of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the State, extended greetings from that organization, assuring the Federation that the United Daughters of the Confederacy are also United Daughters of our Glorious Republic.

A telegram was then read from the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, extending greetings to the convention in session.

Following this was the address of the President, Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, of Davidson, who called especial attention to the closing words of President Wilson's famous proclamation, "The supreme test of the nation has come. We must all

speak, act and serve together.'' "These words are particularly appropriate to us, the club women of the state," she said, "because their appeal is directed to the women of the country as never an appeal was made before." Mrs. Lingle noted that this test applies to efficiency as well as loyalty and that the spirit of cooperation is of utmost importance in such an hour as this.

Miss Gertrude Weil, of Goldsboro, submitted her report as General Federation State Secretary. The audience was then favored by another vocal solo by Miss Pearl Bronson.

Mrs. William Grimes, Vice-President of the Raleigh Chapter of the American Red Cross, made a few timely remarks relative to the importance of Red Cross work.

The audience was then favored by the reading of an original poem by Mrs. Willis Peace, after which one verse of "The Star-Spangled Banner" was sung. The convention remained standing a moment in honor of Mrs. Robert R. Cotten, of Bruce, Honorary President, who then delivered an address on "The Council at New Orleans."

Mrs. Eugene Reilley then addressed the convention on "Ourselves and Others."

Following this there was a reception in the Administration Building, courtesy of Trinity College.

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD, 9:30 A. M.

The convention was called to order in the Administration Building of Trinity College by Mrs. Clarence Johnson, of Raleigh, First Vice-President. Invocation was offered by Rev. W. L. Wells. Reading of minutes was postponed until Friday morning. Telegraphic greetings were read by the Secretary from C. W. Roberts, of Henderson, and Mrs. Lula R. Platt, of Asheville.

Mrs. J. R. Chamberlain, of Raleigh, submitted her report as Chairman of the Committee on Legislation. Report accepted.

Mrs. Finger, of Charlotte, moved that the revision of the constitution be taken up at this time. Motion carried. Mrs. W. B. Waddill was requested to present the amendments. The

proposed amendments were read and after much discussion they were adopted as follows:

Amend Article 10, Section 1, by adding, "In addition each club shall pay 25 cents as the club's share of the dues of the State Federation to the General Federation."

Amend Article 11 by adding Section 4. "On odd calendar years, nominations for North Carolina Director of General Federation of the Women's Clubs shall be presented by the Nominating Committee at the same time state officers are presented. The Director shall be elected by ballot for a term of two years, the name of the person receiving the majority vote shall be presented for ratification at the next biennial convention. By virtue of this office she shall be entitled to a vote in Convention, Council and Board of Directors."

Amend Article 11 by changing By-Law No. 7 to Section 5 of Article 11.

Amend By-Law No. 9 (which automatically becomes By-Law No. 8) as follows: "Standing committees on Finance, Membership, Legislation, District Chairman and Presidents of Districts shall be elected by the Board of Directors. The elected chairmen of Standing Committees, District Chairmen and Presidents of Districts shall be privileged to vote in the meetings of the Council, Board of Directors and the Annual Convention."

New By-Law No. 9: "The Chairmen of Publicity and Bureau of Information shall be elected by the Board of Directors and shall be entitled to vote in the meetings of Council, Board of Directors and the Annual Convention,"

New By-Law No. 16: "It shall be the duty of the District Chairman to have general supervision of districts and, cooperating with the District Presidents, arrange for annual meeting in their respective districts. The duty of District Presidents shall be to organize new clubs, to federate clubs in their districts, and to organize county federations. They shall give report of their work at the annual convention."

By-Laws 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, to become By-Laws 17, 18, 19, 20, 21.

By-Laws 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, to become By-Laws 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27.

The report of the Auditor, Mrs. O. Max Gardner, showed the Treasurer's books of the Federation had been carefully audited and examined and found accurate and complete. Report accepted. The Treasurer's report was then duly accepted by the convention.

The report of Chairman of Finance was submitted to Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper, of Henderson. The report was accepted with thanks. Following this report, pledges were made towards the completion of the Five Thousand Dollar Endowment Fund.

Upon motion the convention adjourned to drive to Chapel Hill.

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD, 1:00 P. M.

At 1 o'clock the convention convened in Girard Hall, University of North Carolina, Mrs. Lingle presiding. Mrs. W. H. Chase, President of the Community Club, of Chapel Hill, graciously welcomed the convention. An address of welcome was then delivered by Dr. Edward K. Graham, President of the University. "No matter where you live or what your interests are," said Dr. Graham, "the State University is your University." He referred to the similarity of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs and the State University in their endeavor to minister to the higher needs of a civilized community. He commended the women's clubs for what they had accomplished along this line, and made a plea for the higher education of women. He complimented her scholarly attainments in every department of the University in which a woman has been a student. He regarded higher education not as a matter of sex, but as a matter of life, and advocated education of the masses instead of the classes. He also admitted that women are people. He said that this is a man-made world and hoped he was not committing treason in saying so. He referred to the many compliments which had always been bestowed upon the "Pilgrim Fathers" without ever mentioning the "Pilgrim Mothers." He asked the question, "Do we really believe in higher education for women?"

and noted the fact that no notable contribution had ever been made by any woman of the state along this line. He recommended that they make such contribution or endeavor to get other wealthy women to do so.

Dr. L. A. Williams, of the State Extension Bureau, made a few remarks on the study courses provided by the University.

Miss May Davis, of Raleigh, Vice-Chairman of Art Department, read report of that department, in the absence of Mrs. Busbee, Chairman. The report was accepted.

Miss Julia Thorns, of Asheboro, Chairman of Conservation Department, gave a most interesting report. Report was accepted.

Miss Hattie Berry, of the State Geological Survey, told of some literature gotten out by this department and which could be used to advantage by the women's clubs.

Report of the Community Club, of Chapel Hill, was read by Mrs. Mangum.

Report on Home Economics was read by Mrs. H. A. White, of High Point, Chairman of that department. The report was accepted.

Mrs. Chase extended an invitation on behalf of the Community Club of Chapel Hill to luncheon in Swain Hall.

Then adjourned.

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD, 8:20 P. M.

Convention assembled in Academy of Music at 8:20 p. m., Mrs. Lingle presiding. Rev. C. J. Harrell invoked divine blessing. A vocal trio then followed.

Mrs. John W. Petty, of Greensboro, Chairman of Civics Department, presented her report.

Miss Anna Louise Brower, holder of Federation scholarship at Salem College, rendered an instrumental solo in a pleasing manner.

Miss Harriett Elliott, of Greensboro State Normal College, delivered a very thoughtful address, full of inspiration and helpful suggestions on Civic Art. Miss Briggs, another young lady holding Federation scholarship at Salem College, rendered a piano solo. Miss Alice Hundley sang a song entitled "Sunshine."

Dr. Brown, of Trinity College, introduced Mr. K. L. Baldensperger, of the National Bureau of Prisons, who delivered a most illuminating address on Prison Reform.

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH, 10:00 A. M.

The convention was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, Mrs. T. W. Lingle, in the Administration Building, Trinity College. Invocation was made by Rev. H. M. North. Mrs. W. A. French read her report as Chairman of Music, which was accepted.

The report of Mrs. John W. Petty, of Greensboro, Chairman of Civics, which was read the evening before, was accepted.

Mrs. Cotten's motion that Miss Harriett Elliott's article on "Civic Art" be published in state press or incorporated in the Year Book was carried.

Miss Pearl Little, the successful contestant in the Music Department, was presented the silver cup by Mrs. W. A. French. Mrs. French explained that this cup was purchased with money from the sale of the "Federation Song." Miss Little's piece of music which won the prize is entitled, "A Child's Wish Granted." It was moved by Mrs. Cotten that this loving cup be called the "Duncan Cup," in honor of Mrs. E. C. Duncan, of Raleigh. Motion carried.

Final report of the Credential Committee was then made, as follows:

Past Presidents present 4	
Officers present 8	
Chairmen of Departments and standing com-	
mittees 14	
Sub-Chairmen of Districts 8	
Delegates	
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Motion carried to proceed with roll call.

Invitation was extended by Mrs. E. C. Duncan to the convention to attend a musical festival in Raleigh.

Mrs. Lay, the incoming President of the Raleigh Woman's Club, on behalf of the Woman's Club, Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club, invited the next annual convention of the Federation to meet in Raleigh. Invitation accepted. It was moved and carried that the President appoint a committee to decide on the date of the next annual convention. The committee appointed was Mesdames Reilley, Lay and Johnson. Motion was carried to elect the delegates to the Biennial at this convention.

Miss Bettie Windley, Chairman of Committee on Resolutions, made her report, submitting nine resolutions. After some discussion the resolutions were adopted.

After the roll call it was found that there were 169 present who were entitled to vote,

Mrs. Chamberlain, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following report:

President-Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Raleigh.

Second Vice-President-Mrs. M. C. Robinson, Asheville.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill.

Auditor-Mrs. T. D. Jones, Durham.

General Federation State Secretary—Miss Margaret Gibson, Wilmington.

Director National Federation-Mrs. R. R. Cotten.

Mrs. Joseph Hyde Pratt withdrew her name as nominee for Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. W. T. Bost, of Raleigh, was nominated in her place. Mrs. Charles C. Hook, of Charlotte, was nominated as First Vice-President, and the Secretary was asked to cast the ballot for officers as nominated. The newly elected officers were invited to come to the platform and Mrs. Clarence Johnson accepted the honor conferred upon her in a most appropriate manner, complimenting the retiring President upon her successful administration. Mrs. D. Y. Cooper was recognized by the chair and extended words of appreciation for the splendid work accomplished by the retiring

President, Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle. A rising vote of thanks was then given the retiring President.

These expressions of appreciation were modestly acknowledged by Mrs. Lingle in a few appropriate words.

Following this, the report of Miss Mary Ragan, Chairman of Library Extension, was read and accepted.

In the absence of Mrs. J. S. Williams, Chairman of Social Service, Miss Clara Cox, Secretary, read this report. Report accepted.

Mrs. R. L. Justice, of Greensboro, explained the work of North Carolina Children's Home Society.

Mrs. Clarence Johnson announced that a telephone message had just been received from Mrs. T. W. Bickett, saying she was unavoidably detained and could not meet with the convention, and requesting Mrs. Johnson to bring before the convention the matter of observing economy and preventing waste. Mrs. Johnson read a letter from Mrs. Bickett in which she stated that this policy would be observed by her and that only the simplest things would be served at receptions at the Governor's Mansion.

Mrs. R. L. Gwyn, of Lenoir, read her report as President of District No. 11. Report accepted. Mrs. C. L. Coon, of Wilson, President of District No. 13, read her report, which was accepted.

Mrs. Sidney Cooper, Chairman of the State Federation Endowment Fund, reported that \$403 had been pledged during the convention for this cause.

Mrs. Hook, of Charlotte, started "The Star-Spangled Banner," which was sung heartily by the convention assembled.

Prof. Wanamaker extended an invitation to luncheon on behalf of the men's clubs—Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, and Merchants' Association.

It was moved by Mrs. Cotten that a copy of the patriotic resolution be sent by telegram to Governor and Mrs. Bickett. Motion carried.

It was moved and carried that Mrs. Clarence Johnson, President North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, be Chairman of the Emergency Service Committee. Motion carried.

Mrs. R. Cotten was then unanimously elected trustee of the North Carolina Federation Endowment Fund for the term of six years.

The Resolutions Committee was asked to present patriotic resolution at night session.

Convention adjourned for luncheon.

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH, 2:30 P. M.

Convention called to order at 2:30, by the President, Mrs. Lingle. The first business to come before the convention was the election of delegates to the next biennial. It was announced that nine delegates and nine alternates should be elected. Nominations were then made from the floor. It was moved and carried that the nine getting the highest vote be elected delegates and the other nine nominated serve as alternates. After election was concluded the tellers took charge of the ballots.

Minutes of the convention were read by the Secretary and adopted. It was moved and carried that the minutes of today's sessions be adopted by the Board.

It was moved by Mrs. Cotten and carried unanimously that a contribution be made by the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs to the Susan Moses Graham memorial to be erected in Chapel Hill.

The convention adjourned.

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH, 8:30 P. M.

The convention assembled in the Academy of Music at 8:30, Mrs. T. W. Lingle presiding.

Miss Bettie D. Windley, of New Bern, read her report as Chairman of Literature, which was accepted.

Mrs. M. C. Robinson, of Asheville, whose poem was adjudged the best submitted by the contestants, gave a reading of the poem. The poem was entitled, "At the End of the Way."

It was announced that Mrs. Oliver May had won distinction for doing the best research work. The convention was then favored by a vocal solo by Miss Rosa Warren, of West Durham, and accompanied by Miss Pearl Little, the selection being "The Child's Wish Granted." The music was composed by Miss Pearl Little, winning for her the "Duncan Cup," offered for the best musical composition.

Mrs. Platt, of Charlotte, on behalf of Resolutions Committee, submitted three resolutions, one of them of patriotic character, to be sent to Governor Bickett. The resolutions were adopted.

The following resolution was directed forwarded to Mrs. Bickett:

"Resolved, That we, the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, wish to express to Mrs. Bickett our appreciation of her messages and to assure her of our hearty appreciation and support in every patriotic endeavor. It is the sense of this convention that we will individually endeavor in every way to follow the suggestions as to economy given in these communications."

Two resolutions of thanks were also adopted, one expressing appreciation for the courtesies of Durham, the other setting forth the thanks of the convention for the pleasant day provided at Chapel Hill.

America was sung by the convention.

Delegates to the Biennial were announced as follows: Miss Clara I. Cox, Mrs. T. D. Jones, Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper, Mrs. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Mrs. M. L. Stover, Mrs. Gordon Finger, Mrs. T. P. Jerman, Miss Bettie Windley, Miss Elizabeth Schwarburg.

Alternates announced as follows: Miss Julia Thorns, Mrs. E. F. Reid, Miss Mary M. Petty, Mrs. A. H. Powell, Mrs. S. E. Dilworth, Mrs. Walter Woodard, Mrs. Elmo Powell, Mrs. C. D. Bradham, Mrs. Gilmer Korner.

An address was delivered by Prof. W. W. Pierson, of Chapel Hill, on "The Study of Latin America."

A musical selection was then rendered.

Dr. Thomas W. Lingle, of Davidson, then delivered an address on "The Latin American Peoples and Their Problems."

The new officers were then called to the front, introduced to the Federation, and installed.

The fifteenth annual meeting was then declared adjourned.

RESOLUTIONS

(With statement as to disposition of each.)

1. Resolved: That we endorse the policy of the Council of the General Federation as formulated at the New Orleans meeting for mobilizing the services of women for patriotic duty in the present war.

(Emergency Service Committee.)

2. Resolved: That the Federation of Women's Clubs endorse the name of Mrs. J. R. Chamberlain, of Raleigh, for a member of the governing board of the Home for Delinquent Girls and Women, and request the Governor to appoint Mrs. Chamberlain to that position.

(Corresponding Secretary send to Governor Bickett.)

3. Resolved: That we advocate raising the standard of motion pictures and urge that the club women create a sentiment in their respective communities to this end.

(Social Service Department.)

4. Whereas, the Woman's Club, of Waynesville, has sent in a resolution looking toward equalizing the inheritance rights of husband and wife with respect to personal property; therefore

Be it resolved: That these resolutions be submitted to our Legislative Committee for their approval and revision, looking toward submitting such changes in the statutes to the next legislature. (Committee on Legislation.) 5. Whereas, Statute 222 passed by the legislature of 1915 is in force for the holding of juvenile courts and the enforcement of juvenile regulations in towns; therefore

Be it resolved: That this convention strongly urges the enforcement of this law by the towns; and it is further suggested that the various clubs bring this to the attention of their town authorities and work for its enforcement.

(Social Service Department.)

- 6. Resolved: That this convention endorses the work of the State Board of Health and urges that health work, particularly regarding children, be further extended in the rural districts. (Health Department.)
- 7. Whereas, the State of North Carolina is losing annually from \$500,000 to a million dollars (the figures for 1916 being \$3,900,000) worth of marketable timber through forest fires; and the undergrowth, which means our future supply of timber, is being tremendously damaged by these fires; and

Whereas, statistics show that the majority of these forest fires are caused by burning the cattle ranges in counties which have no stock law; and

Whereas, the free ranging of cattle and hogs in the nonstock law counties has practically killed the longleaf pine in eastern Carolina, thereby causing a loss to the state of millions of dollars annually because of the elimination of the industries dependent upon the longleaf pine, such as tar, pitch, turpentine, naval stores, etc.; and

Whereas, the free range cattle and hogs are scrub cattle and hogs, having little intrinsic value, and their promiscuous spreading of the cattle tick and diseases are a menace to the growth of good stock; therefore

Be it resolved: That this convention endorses the conservation and perpetuation of our forests and the promotion of better farming and cattle raising in our state through the passage of a state-wide stock law.

Furthermore: We endorse the work of the Forestry Division of the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey in the protection of the forests from fire through the establishment of a system of forest fire patrol and earnestly hope that the legislature of 1919 will make this possible by such an appropriation as will enable the state to take advantage of federal assistance through the Weeks law in the establishment of an efficient system of forest fire patrol.

(Committee on Legislation.)

8. Whereas, it is a well recognized fact that North Carolina has splendid natural possibilities for the growing of sheep, an industry which would not only be of great economic value to the state, but which would tend to relieve a national and international stress at the present time for raw materials; and

Whereas, this industry has been practically obliterated in the state because of the lack of state control of sheep killing dogs which serve no useful purpose and are a menace to health and life through the spread of rabies; therefore

Be it resolved: That this convention favors the enactment of a state-wide dog law, which would effectively control the situation, and we suggest that our Legislative Committee bring this resolution to the attention of the next legislature.

(Committee on Legislation.)

9. Realizing the importance to the state of the conservation of our bird life both from an esthetic and economic standpoint.

Resolved: That we endorse the work of the State Audubon Society and favor the establishment of a State Game Commission for the protection of the birds and wild animals of the state.

And we urge the clubs of the state to take up a study of our bird life, both through their own organization and through the public schools, with the idea of not only enriching the lives of the individual members through a knowledge of bird life, which carries its own reward, but with the idea of educating our people to the economic value of our birds, and thus creating a public sentiment which will insure the perpetuation of this natural asset.

(Committee on Legislation.)

10. Resolved: That the Federated Clubs of North Carolina cooperate with the State Home Demonstration Work, by the use of its products, aiding in the organization of the work in every county in the state.

(Corresponding Secretary send to Mrs. Jane McKimmon.)

11. Resolved: That the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs cooperate with every effort put forth by the State Insurance Commissioner, James R. Young, for Fire Prevention.

(Corresponding Secretary send to Mr. Young.)

12. Whereas, President Wilson in his message to Congress has urged the grave necessity of economy being practiced by all the people of this nation,

We, the women of North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, in convention assembled, do pledge our utmost support and loyalty to our government, by living simply, by eliminating waste and by conserving our food products.

(Corresponding Secretary send copy to President Woodrow Wilson,)

RETIRING PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

(Abridged)

"The supreme test of the nation has come. We must all speak, act and serve together;" these are the closing words and the keynote of the now famous proclamation of President Wilson.

Never were a people called to patriotic service by nobler words than these. As they were flashed by telegraph and telephone and cable throughout our land and to lands beyond the seas their worth was at once recognized. A sympathetic vein was struck as is ever the case when a timely appeal is made to higher feelings and to nobler motives. They have been echoed and reechoed by press, preacher, and orator; school children have lisped out the sentences, and the well formed virile phrases have become the despair of critics and the admiration of a loving public. This proclamation is a document which will go down into history with those few exceptional gems of English which stirring events have called forth from our rulers.

These words are particularly appropriate to us, the club women of the state, because their appeal is directed to the women of the country as never appeal was made before to the women of any land or time. Since war has at last shaken our land with its fateful thunder, woman, the American woman, has come into her own, almost into her very own promised land. So near are we to the shores of equal liberty, that we speak the language of that fair country, and we can afford to smile at the cardboard barriers that are erected to keep us out, but which the first wind of necessity will blow down.

The supreme test of the nation has come and with it the test of the loyalty of every individual and of every organization. The supreme test of our Federation has come. It is a test of efficiency as well as of loyalty. Are we able to stand the test? Is there in our organization that unity of purpose, that lack of

self-interest, that power to bring forth results and that spirit of cooperation which shall stand the test in such an hour as this? If not, we had better expend our time and our talents through other channels.

Can the Federation stand the test of patriotism? Have we learned to think in terms of world relations? Do we know that patriotism that begins with allegiance to the family as the social unit, that grows in breadth as it comprehends the community, the county, and the state, and, not stopping with the boundaries of state or section, takes in national issues and feels a pride in every building, ship and outpost over which the stars and stripes fly triumphant? Aye, truly we know the meaning of patriotism in these terms; but have we grasped this new sense of world relations, has the new internationalism entered into our concepts? If so, we know that we are going into this great war with no hatred for the enemy, but for the purpose that transcends the needs or ambitions of a single country or nation. "The world must be made safe for democracy," and our own democracy is unsafe until this is assured.

Can the Federation stand the test of efficiency? This question could probably best be answered by a review of the history of the organization. What can be expected of the Federation can well be estimated by what it has already accomplished. It would be interesting, indeed, if we had time for a review of the fifteen years of the life and work of the organization under the motto, "Unity in Diversity."

We have been asked at this time, which marks the closing of another of the two-year administrations, to give a review of that which has been accomplished under the present officers. This I shall refrain from doing. What has been accomplished at once becomes a thing of the past and loses interest for us whose eyes are centered on the present and whose hopes take in the future. Better perhaps to tell of what we have failed to accomplish, as such failure in nearly every case points toward accomplishment for the future. It would also be more profitable to point out the weaknesses of the organization than in any way to boast of its ability, for by so doing we might best strengthen the whole chain by renewing the weak links.

When in Goldsboro you elected the present officers, I was oppressed, and at the same time attracted, by a vision which I had received of the state-wide possibilities of the women of North Carolina. To make of the women's clubs a recognized state organization, taking its place with the most serious and influential bodies within our borders, was no trifling ambition. It has not been accomplished by sitting at home and dreaming about it, or by accepting only such invitations as suited the convenience of time or purse. It was a self-imposed task, one for which I was accountable to no one but my own conscience; to me it stands out as the most worth while service I have been able to render. With it has come a closer and more helpful relationship with other state organizations and with the departments of state.

Our connection, for instance, with the forestry department and with the State Forestry Association has been cordial and intimate and mutually helpful. We have made common cause with those officials and lay workers who are seeking to preserve for us and for our children the great natural resources of the forest lands. It has become to us a patriotic duty to plead for adequate fire protection appropriation and for the enforcement of game and lumbering laws. Conservation is no byword with us in the Federation. If your local club has not grasped its meaning and learned its possibilities, I hope you will not rest until you have gotten in touch with our state forester, Mr. Holmes, of Chapel Hill, and have made out a program for at least one meeting of the year on this subject of vital importance.

We have gotten in closer touch with our State Burean of Health; the office in Raleigh has often been too busy to cooperate with us in immediate and definite club undertakings, but the promise of future active participation in our plans sounds good. There is one department that has never failed to recognize the latent power of the women of town, city, and county for public health propaganda. Dr. McBrayer, of the Tuberculosis Department, has fitted into every plan we have made and has helped to carry out the slogan of better health for all our

people. This is a work which is only just begun; as long as the white plague stalks abroad in our land, claiming its victims by the thousands every year, we need to cooperate with Dr. McBrayer in the sale of Red Cross seals and in the employment of community health nurses. Probably our greatest opportunity for service along health lines lies in the observance of baby week, which is celebrated all over the United States.

Along lines of social welfare we have had help and suggestions from officials and from volunteer societies. Closely affiliated with the Social Service Conference, our interest in such social and civic topics as better motion pictures, mill and factory betterment associations, organized charity organizations for cities, and community clubs for rural districts, has grown apace.

One of the most pleasant features of our work has been that carried on in cooperation with the State University. President Graham's lofty ideal of making the University the people's institute of the state, and reaching, with its scientific direction, all classes of students, supplies just the incentive we are needing for scholarly work. With infinite care, a plan has been worked out by which the club women may get the benefit of expert advice and direction in literary and historical studies.

To attempt to be your leader for a brief term has been to me one of the richest experiences of my life. I feel like saying, "Praise God from whom all blessing flow," praise Him for the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs. There has been a variety in the duties imposed that equals those of the manager of a seven-ringed circus, and a demand on one's native resources that makes the daily life of a lone missionary on a barbarous shore seem tame and uneventful. That it has been a strenuous experience I do not deny. There have been obstacles in the way of the accomplishment of pet theories; there have been difficulties to overcome.

At local club and district meetings it has been my pleasure to meet hundreds of our women who never come to a Federation convention, and I feel sure that many of them are present in with spirit with us at this convention. Surely we who are present here in the flesh as representatives of our seven thousand club women should feel ourselves strengthened and sustained by the silent influence of their prayers and good wishes, and in that strength should go forward to plan forever fresher and nobler achievements.

President Wilson has given us the test of efficiency. He has said the last word on "working together." He has forever "We must all speak, act and serve defined cooperation. together," not at some future, indefinite time, but from this time forth. Who can estimate the power of the club women of this state alone if our actual membership should carry out such an ideal! Supported with adequate finances, united with common purposes and possessed of an unfaltering lovalty to the organization and to the principles of democracy which govern it, we should go forth to conquer, nay, perhaps to suffer for principle's sake, regretting that we have only one life to live for the good of our fellowman, only one death to die for those whose lives are worse than death, and rejoicing that through our Federation we have learned to think, to act and to speak together, for home, for country, and for God.

ANNUAL REPORT OF OFFICERS

(Abridged)

RECORDING SECRETARY

Miss Clara I. Cox

The Federation has maintained a steady growth the past year; thirty-three new clubs have federated and eight have withdrawn, making a net increase of 25. At present the total number of federated clubs is 161.

The Year Book was prepared during the summer, some pains being taken to secure correct data, etc. Four hundred copies of the book were published in the early fall at a cost of \$180.50, and turned over to the Corresponding Secretary for distribution.

In addition to the regular correspondence incident to the position of Recording Secretary, report blanks were prepared with the cooperation of Mrs. Lingle and the department chairmen and sent out to all clubs. These reports were received by your Secretary, who sent them to the several district chairmen, after retaining such information as was necessary for the Year Book.

The minutes of the annual convention in High Point have been copied in the minute book, as have also the minutes of the Directors' and Council meetings in 1915 and 1916. The minutes of the Executive Board from 1914 to 1916 have been copied in a separate minute book. The Federation scrap book and other valuable material have been placed in the hands of the Custodian, Mrs. Clarence Johnson.

TREASURER

Miss Adelaide L. Fries

CURRENT FUND

May 3rd, 1916, to April 23rd, 1917

Balance May 3, 1916	121.62 14.30
1916-1917, State dues, 124 clubs\$495.58	
General Federation dues, 124 clubs 31.00	
Entrance dues, 31 clubs 81.30	
	607.88
Sale of Year Books	9.30
Total receipts\$	753.10
Printing and stationery\$	106.37
Year Book, printing and postage	190,22
Speakers' traveling exp., High Point and Morganton	47.55
Stenographer at High Point convention	18.00
Dues, State Federation to General Federation	34.00
Expense for postage, etc.—	
Officers	
Chairmen	
	124.64
	121.01
Total expenditures\$	520.78
Balance, cash on hand, April 23, 1917\$	232.32
CATTER COMMITTEE COMMITTEE TO AN INTERNAL	
SALLIE SOUTHALL COTTEN LOAN FUND	
Balance, May 5, 1916\$	201.17
Payments on loans	862.00
Interest received	17.14
Contributions	186.50
Total receipts\$	1266.81

Loans to seven girls	. 600.00
Cash on hand April 23, 1917	
Outstanding loans to eleven girls	. 1708.33
Total value of fund April 23, 1917	.\$2375.14
ENDOWMENT FUND	
Balance, cash on hand, May 6, 1916	.\$ 499.25
Contributions up to April 23rd, 1917	
Payments on notes	. 150.53
Interest received	. 89.39
Total receipts	.\$1537.32
Note bought	. 420.95
Cash on hand April 23, 1917	¢1116 27
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Four outstanding notes, and one bond	
Total value of fund April 23, 1917	.\$2654.71

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Mrs. M. L. Stover

Your Secretary has sent stationery to 21 officers and chairmen, letters of notification to 31 new clubs, Year Books to 25 new clubs, call to convention and credential cards to 167 club presidents. In addition 57 invitations have been sent to General Federation officers and State Presidents, and 13 to presidents of various organizations. The total number of letters written were 102, the total number of pieces of mail 442. 84 Year Books were sold.

AUDITOR

Mrs. O. Max Gardner

I beg leave to report that the Treasurer's books of the

Federation have been carefully audited and examined and are in all respects accurate and complete.

GENERAL FEDERATION STATE SECRETARY

Miss Gertrude Weil

The General Federation State Secretary reports no clubs having joined the General Federation during the past year. The Eclectic Club, of Ansonville, has withdrawn, leaving nine clubs in direct membership in the General Federation.

At the biennial convention in New York, June, 1916, the North Carolina Federation was represented by a full delegation. One of the most important constitutional changes made at this convention was the enlargement of the Board of Directors to include a director from every state. This insures a closer connection between General Federation and State Federation than ever before. Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle was elected director for North Carolina at the convention and on resigning was succeeded by Mrs. R. R. Cotten.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of the Federation met on May 1st, 1917, with the following members present: Mrs. T. W. Lingle, Mrs. R. R. Cotten, Mrs. D. Y. Cooper, Miss Adelaide Fries and Mrs. S. P. Cooper.

The reports of the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Finance Committee were read and accepted. The Trustees were very much pleased with the reports and expressed the feeling that the Treasurer and Chairman had handled the money of the Federation in a capable manner. It was decided that efforts to complete the Endowment Fund be completed.

There being on hand in the Endowment Fund a cash balance of \$1116.37, the Board took up the question of investment, considered the suggestions made, and directed the Treasurer

to purchase a good six per cent. note, secured by real estate mortgage.

RESUME OF WORK OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board has held three meetings consisting of nine sessions, since the last annual convention in High Point. The first one was held in High Point on May 25th, 1916, members present being Mrs. Lingle, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Fries, Mrs. Hook, Mrs. Stover and Miss Cox. At this meeting the Finance Committee was instructed to carry out the plans of increasing the Endowment Fund adopted by the Federation in convention, and Mrs. Clarence Johnson requested to act as advisory member of the committee from the Executive Board. By general consent the President was empowered to act for the Board, in consultation with the District Chairman, in filling vacancies which may occur among the District Chairmen.

The second, third, fourth and fifth sessions of the Board were held in Winston-Salem at the residence of Miss Fries, June 14 to 16. Members present were Mrs. Lingle, Mrs. Hook and Miss Fries.

The resolutions adopted by the Federation in convention at High Point were referred to the proper departments and committees, and the acting Secretary instructed to send copies of certain resolutions to prominent persons in the state directly interested. Miss Julia Thorns was elected Chairman of Conservation in the place of Mrs. Wilson, of Chapel Hill, who resigned. Mrs. S. L. Dill, Jr., was appointed sub-Chairman of Education, in special charge of the loans from the Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund.

It was agreed to subdivide each department into three subcommittees, as far as this should prove feasible, the name of the department chairmen and sub-chairmen to appear in the Year Book.

An invitation from the Durham Civic Association to hold the next annual convention in Durham, in May, 1917, was received and accepted, through the Secretary, with thanks.

Consideration was given the action of the Finance Com-

mittee in their selection of the first week in November as Federation Endowment Fund Week.

It was agreed that under by-law 16, clubs that failed to pay their dues before the meeting in May, 1916, but which have not given notice of withdrawal shall be inserted in the Year Book for 1916-1917, and if they fail a second time their names shall be dropped.

Mrs. Lingle tendered her resignation as General Federation Director for North Carolina, explaining how the unexpected change in the constitution at the New York biennial had compelled her to serve temporarily. Mrs. R. R. Cotten was elected Director for North Carolina for the 1916-1918 term.

The invitation of Morganton for the mid-year Council meeting was accepted.

The last four sessions of the Executive Board were held in Morganton, November 15, 16, 17. Members present were: Mrs. Lingle, Mrs. Hook, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Stover, Miss Fries and Miss Cox. It was decided that uniform report blanks be gotten out, the President and Recording Secretary to arrange form of blank. The importance of having an organ for the Federation as a medium of publicity and communication was thoroughly discussed, and a committee was appointed to have the matter under consideration.

It was decided that uniform study programs be recommended to all study clubs for next year, and that the special topic for study for the winter of 1917-1918 be Latin-America. Mrs. Lingle and Miss Windley were asked to arrange programs in conjunction with the University Extension Bureau.

Miss Sallie Kirby was elected to fill a vacancy on the Committee on Legislation.

The Executive Board met by agreement in Raleigh on January 25. Owing to lack of quorum the meeting adjourned. Mrs. Cooper, who had come to consult with the Board, told of the work for Endowment Fund, and Miss Nellie Roberson, who had come to submit plans for the program on Latin America, went over the program with the ladies present.

Further work of the Board was conducted by correspondence.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

ART

Mrs. Jacques Busbee, Chairman Miss May Davis, Vice-Chairman

I had hoped and expected to make my report in person to this convention. I discovered only last week that it was impossible to leave New York at this time.

Our report for this year is a continuation of last year's program.

During the summer and early fall my committee and I gave many demonstrations in basket making and also many exhibits of native arts, including native-made baskets, pottery and weaving.

Knowing in August that I was leaving the state, I worked over time during that month, September and October on demonstrations, even giving lessons between trains to several country clubs in Cumberland and Harnett Counties, the meetings being held in the railroad stations.

Miss Davis, Vice-Chairman, has given lessons in basket making, and talks wherever she has been invited.

Mrs. T. L. Bayne, of Manchester, has revised the art of weaving in many rural districts of the state, and has stressed our native arts wherever she has addressed a gathering. It is interesting to note how favorably the work of North Carolina weavers compares with that done by weavers from other sections of the country. There seems to be a huge demand for hand woven table mats of colored linen, yellow and blue particularly.

Since November I have directed our department through correspondence, devoting an hour each day to the many letters which have come to me from women in the state. I have also endeavored in every possible way to stimulate interest in our state's handicraft among the people of New York. I am sure it will interest you to know that everywhere my collection of baskets and pottery have been exhibited it has attracted marked attention. It was admitted in the exhibition of the National Art Club, the National Society of Craftsmen, the Art Alliance of America, and it is now in San Francisco with the exhibit of the National Society of Craftsmen.

Connoisseurs have examined and praised the craftsmanship of the specimens in the collection, and several museums have offered to buy the collection outright. Gift shops have clamored for addresses so that they might secure consignments of pine needle baskets, oak split baskets and, in fact, everything in the collection. Our pottery is considered unique and there seems to be a demand for handwoven fabrics of all kinds.

I have written articles for newspapers and magazines, and have given interviews for several periodicals about our state workers. From one article on "Front Door Handicraft for the Country Woman," in Country Gentleman of January 27th, I have had over one hundred letters from men and women who wished to get in communication with the producers so that they might purchase similar baskets. I am giving these facts so that our club women may know that the outside world recognizes our embryo artists, and unless we encourage and stimulate the boys and girls of our country to develop this phase of art—the fundamental basis of an art loving people—outsiders will come in and do it for us. It is a large mine of wonderful resource, and I do not know of any work more necessary to be done.

I have several quaint Indian wooden spoons in my collection of native handicraft, and I am interested to learn that there is a huge demand for these very articles. They are wanted by the hundreds of thousands, either made by hand or on a lathe. The supply used to be made in Germany, and no more can be gotten from there. The importer who called on me about these spoons left his address with an earnest appeal for the cooperation of club women to develop this industry. I shall be glad to furnish the gentleman's name and address, also addresses of gift shops who wish the same articles.

Shuck door mats and hearth brooms are wanted by the hundreds.

It is gratifying to note from the report of the art departments that the Fine Arts have not been neglected.

Mrs. Ruth H. Moore, Chairman of the Raleigh Woman's Club, reports a paper by herself on "The Basic Principles Underlying Some of the Chief Rules for Painting and Picture Making," and "On Interior Decoration"; also a lecture on "Etchings," with illustrations by noted etchers, and an exhibition lasting two weeks, of original illustrations by Elizabeth S. G. Elliott.

CIVICS

Mrs. J. W. Petty, Chairman

It is not possible in the brief space for this report to tell of all the fine work that has been accomplished during the past year by the clubs doing Civic work. It is no easy matter to classify this work, as I find many of the smallest towns doing some of the biggest work.

The Civic Department consists of the Chairman, three sub-Chairmen, and a Civic Committee of 13—one member from each district. Before the Council meeting in November I asked for reports from this committee on contemplated work for the winter and, now, at the close of the year, I find that much more than was planned in many places has been accomplished.

In looking over the year's work I am impressed with the many kinds of work the civic clubs are doing; with the concentrated work accomplished by the three divisions of the department; with the great interest given to the questions of the day, to the city government, to the enforcement of the ordinances and to the state laws, to the study of taxation, municipal suffrage (for women) and other problems for women.

It has come to be concluded that the status of a community is largely determined by its degree of physical cleanliness, for this naturally leads to beautifying, to sanitation, to the providing of recreation facilities and the whole gamut of civic betterment. Every club that has sent a report has had a cleanup week, many with the mayor's proclamation, some cooperating with the chamber of commerce, some with the business men's clubs, and others with the city council. Some towns are having this year a clean-up each month, some twice a year and all are encouraging follow-up work.

Many clubs report good work on Home and School Gardening. Some towns have a paid instructor, while others are cooperating with the county demonstrator. Others are encouraging the Boy Scout movement and that of the Camp Fire Girls to farm on vacant lots. The observance by many clubs of Planting Day in April was another way in which civic clubs encourage the planting movement. As chairman, I have spoken to different groups of negroes and tried to impress upon them the need and great importance of this work. In Greensboro they have asked for an instructor in gardening as we have in the white schools.

I find good cooperation between the county demonstrators, the canning clubs and betterment associations. Community week was well and profitably observed by some clubs. Other activities have been the establishing and maintaining of public libraries, rest rooms and drinking fountains; the care of cemeteries; the beautifying of courthouse grounds; the planting of flowers and shrubs on vacant lots; the holding of baby weeks; county fair work; and the operation of a plant exchange. Two of the greatest things accomplished were the securing of a meat and milk inspection and the establishment of a milk station, now turned over to the city department of health, with the club women still helping to support it.

Under the auspices of the civic clubs throughout the state, many addresses have been given on various topics, such as Artistic Yard Planting, Milk Stations, Expert Tree Saving, Sanitation, Fire Prevention, Fly Danger. One club reports spending \$120 on the public school grounds in their town and another \$88 on the streets. Several clubs have been responsible for securing good lyceum courses for the town. Through the betterment association of one county, open wells at school

houses have been replaced with pumps and at twelve schools some playground equipment has been installed.

Much good work has been accomplished in the schools in connection with the superintendent and teachers. Under this comes the investigation of the lighting of the school rooms, the sanitary conditions of the buildings and grounds, ventilation, fire protection, the attractiveness of the class rooms, the suggestion of good pictures and the making possible the securing of the same. Through this department, medical inspection has been secured in some schools and a course in training for citizenship added.

Early in the year a program for the use of junior civic leagues was prepared, a number of which was printed and sent to civic chairmen. Junior civic leagues have been organized in a number of schools. These have held meetings once a month and interesting programs have been prepared, consisting of readings, recitations, discussions and essays bearing upon the topics suggested in the plan. Some of the junior leagues have been interested in bird study and have made bird houses. Arbor day has been observed with the planting of flowers and trees. Many applications for copies of our program have been received and answered. This has enabled us to reach some schools which were not looked after by civic chairmen.

A few clubs report fully equipped play grounds, and a great many others report that they have placed a few pieces of apparatus and are working for more. With very few exceptions all clubs have used vacant lots for flowers and shrubs and are looking for playground sites. One notable accomplishment has been the removal of objectionable billboards. Another worthy of especial mention is the conversion of the school grounds into a public playground. Why should a public school ground be closed to the public and the children allowed to use it only an hour or two a day? With proper supervision it should become a public playground after school hours. I trust that the close of another year will find every club reporting a playground in some place other than the street, where children may play, and not only play, but learn team work.

Many hundreds of dollars have been spent throughout the state by the civic clubs to promote some special line of work or to create sentiment for some particular thing. Civic work around railway stations has been accomplished in some towns through the civic workers and the railway company has responded with more work.

Fly campaigns have been carried on in most towns where there is a civic club or department, with good results.

Many letters have been received from unfederated clubs asking for suggestions on civic work. More questions have been asked in regard to the fly and how to get rid of him than on any other subject. Many of these letters are from county clubs. They have been answered and literature sent on the subject. The stereopticon lantern has been used five times this year and civic slides from Washington were secured for two. I have spoken to a number of county clubs at the invitation of the county demonstrator. These clubs all want help along the lines of sanitation and efficiency.

More than 500 folders, prepared by the Civic Committee, giving suggestions and recommending work, have been sent to all clubs and to many unfederated clubs. I note that every recommendation of this folder has been tried out by some club.

It is a well established fact that the most workable organizations are those that gradually evolve their machinery as necessity arises. Each town has its own problems to solve. These must be met by persistent and ceaseless activity on the part of the worker and the press. In the doing of civic work there is an order which, when followed, means success:

1st. An intelligent survey of the situation.

2nd. A study of possible modes of procedure to remedy or to produce a desired situation.

3rd. A consultation with those who have successfully solved like problems.

4th. Securing the cooperation of all agencies and persons touched by the project in interest or authority. Cooperation is the magic word. Do not forget that it makes club enterprises succeed.

Never before in the history of the women's clubs has there

been such an awakening and such interest shown in the civic work of the state. Many movements started in a small way and fostered by the civic clubs are now being turned over to municipal control or to men's clubs or to the chamber of commerce. Knowing that public sentiment is always in advance of the law, we consider this the very best sign of the times. We are thus left free to take up other lines in untried fields, believing that greater work lies before us.

CONSERVATION

Miss Julia Thorns, Chairman

In the present year book there are only four clubs that have conservation departments designated as such, but a great deal of this work is covered by betterment associations, community clubs, and civic departments of more than 67 clubs. Reports have been received from only 18 clubs, but we are sure this does not represent half the work the club women are doing in the state.

Our conservation work locally is comprised under the heads Forestry, Birds, Arbor Day.

TREE PLANTING

Tree planting on school grounds has been very general over the state. Davidson, in addition, has planted 50 trees at their station. Southern Pines has planted at the station and along the railroad. Oxford and Lenoir have planted along the streets.

Charlotte has made a specialty of native trees, mimosa, magnolia and crape myrtle.

Chapel Hill protected and watered trees during the summer that were planted by the town.

Elon, illustrated lecture on tree and shrub planting and beautifying home grounds.

Wilson planted 103 trees around playgrounds, streets and cemetery.

ESSAY COMPETITION AND EXHIBIT

The effort to encourage interest in the subject of forest fires through the essay competition and the state forestry exhibits did not meet with very general success. However, Chapel Hill and Charlotte sent in essays written by the school children, and Charlotte won the first and third prizes. Chapel Hill also sent a collection of native woods to the State Fair.

BIRDS

Brevard offered prizes to the seventh grade for essays on "My Experience in Attracting Birds." (A very promising subject.) Brevard is also discussing the restriction of the domestic cat, which is much needed everywhere.

Durham, under Mrs. Few, has worked up a splendid interest in birds. With the cooperation of the manual training teacher a bird house exhibit has been arranged.

Other towns have also had fine displays of bird houses made by school children. Elkin's was spoken of as magnificent. Siler City, Goldsboro and Charlotte have also done splendid work. Mr. Parker, the Secretary of the State Audubon Society, said that Goldsboro's was one of the best he had seen in North Carolina.

Chapel Hill, enthused by Mrs. Toy, through the school and the Boy Scouts, has formed three bird study classes; and four bird basins have been placed in town.

Mrs. Toy also secured for Orange County an illustrated bird lecture given by an enthusiastic University student at four different places, and at the last place the little country school house held 75 persons, some having driven five miles to attend.

A bird day was observed in several towns, notably Goldsboro and Charlotte.

ARBOR DAY

Many of the club women assisted materially in the observance of arbor day, Salemburg, Southern Pines, Fayetteville, Kernersville, Elkin, Elon, Siler City, Oxford, and Asheboro doing good work.

MISCELLANEOUS

Several clubs are making appeals to "spare the wild flowers." Chapel Hill collects and preserves home grown seeds, plants and shrubs to be exchanged among the members for beautifying homes and town.

Oxford has an annual garden meet and rose fete, and on their club program they include a paper on birds and berry bearing shrubs for their food in winter.

STATE

Efforts were made to encourage legislation urging the passage of bills in the interest of forest and bird conservation.

At the request of Mr. Gilbert T. Pearson, Secretary of the National Audubon Societies, some work was done in the interest of the passing of the international migratory bird law.

Pressure is being brought to bear to secure a first-class bird lecturer on the Swarthmore chautauqua entertainment series.

AN APPEAL

It is not too visionary to hope for a conservation association in every county in the state—not merely a woman's club, but a community organization.

Could not our railroad stations become more attractive with crape myrtles and magnolias? Sometimes it would only take a request to the authorities at the right time.

In the plant world we must be on our guard against a little German bandit from abroad, the white pine blister rust, that has alread infected all the New England States, New York, New, Jersey, Pennsylvania, and other states, and can come to us from there on currant and gooseberry bushes. It is an undesirable immigrant that has too many children and is enslaving and killing our white pine forests. The cure, according to eminent foresters, is to quarantine against that kind of nursery stock from those infected regions.

Rural roadside planting is another conservation subject full of interest. New York State College of Forestry is issuing a bulletin on the subject, and would like to refer to examples of good rural roadside planting in other states. Some counties may be able to do this and if there are any examples in North Carolina, the Conservation Department would be glad to know about it.

Then there is the plea for some consideration to be given to the picking of wild flowers. Who does not know of the extermination of some very choice wild flowers in their neighborhood? The rare Venus Fly Trap, spoken of so nicely by Mrs. Finger last year, is in danger.

But let me make a last plea for the birds—they need our help now. People who do not think, imagine that the birds are taking care of themselves, but this is not the case. The government says there are not ten birds now where there were 100 twenty years ago, and that every insectiverous bird is worth its weight in gold. According to the Farm Journal, bugs destroy a billion dollars worth of crops every year, and the facts are astounding.

"In the Smithsonian annual report for 1915 is an article on the value of birds to man, in which the author states that although man imagines himself the dominant power on earth, he is nothing of the sort, the true lords of the universe being the insects. And that, through its predominating insect diet and rapid digestion, the bird becomes the most indispensable balancing force of nature."—Charlotte Observer, Feb. 21, 1915.

But while the majority of the birds work continuously for the good of mankind, and do nothing else, thousands come to a tragic death by some boy's gun, or the cats and dogs. Then there are our neighbors' cats—how many birds suffer by their depredations!

In the Arbor Day Manual Mr. J. J. Blair, of the Wilmington Public Schools, says that 2,000 children in New Hanover County belong to bird clubs, and, with the Boy Scouts, they have been largely instrumental in protecting and bringing back to North Carolina shores certain birds that had been almost exterminated.

Mr. Blair says that not a child enters his school but becomes a lover and protector of bird life, and we would like to see that become one of the cardinal principles of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs. "Arbor and Bird Day 365 days in the year."

EDUCATION

Miss Daisy Bailey Waitt, Chairman

The organization of the Education Department has been practically the same this year as last, with members from each Federation district divided into sub-committees on Cooperation with Schools, Illiteracy and Scholarships and Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund. An effort has been made through the district members of the committee to get in touch with all the clubs of the state. Early in the year an outline, suggesting lines of work along which clubs might direct their efforts for education, was sent to district members of the committee and they in turn passed it on to the clubs of their respective districts. As a result, clubs report various lines of educational activity, sometimes in cooperation with school authorities and sometimes work undertaken independently. Educational programs and lectures on education have been given under club auspices, schools have been visited, courses of study observed, needs of school houses noted and recommendations made to school committeemen. Prizes and banners have been awarded for excellence along various lines. School luncheons served. Money has been raised both independently and in cooperation with the school boards for various purposes, such as employing an extra teacher, a county demonstrator, improving the school building or grounds, buying supplies for the school for work in basketry, etc.

Several clubs report work in organizing school betterment associations in the county or in otherwise aiding the rural schools. This is regarded by several clubs as their most important work in the year. Work has been done in beautifying the school grounds, plans having first been made by a land-scape architect and then carried out by the club women. School

gardens have been planted. School attendance has been stimulated by prizes and otherwise. Story tellers' leagues have been organized and maintained. Fire Prevention Day and Arbor Day have been insisted upon and parent-teacher associations have found club women among their most active members. In Asheville the club women were instrumental in putting a follow-up trained nurse in the public schools. Another club furnished a room in the girls' dormitory of a nearby farm life school. In several instances, in addition to making contributions to the Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund, clubs have made contributions to county loan funds or scholarships. The clubs of Asheville maintain a scholarship at the Normal for the benefit of one of their girls. The clubs of Pitt County maintain a loan fund by which several girls from Pitt are kept each year at the Teachers' Training School.

It is encouraging to note in connection with the educational work that chairmen of committees report that the entire club cooperates in most of their undertakings and not just a few members of the committee.

One of the recommendations made to the clubs by the chairman last year was that club women use their influence in cooperation with the State Board of Education to create sentiment in favor of the legislation needed along educational lines. During the session of the General Assembly letters were written to the various members by members of the committee, and they were urged to vote for various educational measures. Just how effective this was it is hard to determine, but the constructive educational legislation enacted by the General Assembly of 1917 is a source of gratification to all who are interested in the subject.

The state institutions were provided for as never before. A bill providing for a State Board of Examiners and Institute Conductors was passed, and the Governor was authorized to appoint a State Educational Commission. The age of compulsory attendance was raised from twelve to fourteen. A six months' school term was provided for. Provision was made for teaching agriculture and home economics in the public schools, physical examination of the school children of the

state was provided for at regular intervals, and other laws enacted which mean progress in education. Legislation of this type means follow-up work by club women of a much more efficient type.

Those club women who have worked so tirelessly for the moonlight schools during the past two years, felt especial interest in the bill which provided twenty-five thousand dollars a year for two years for the reduction and elimination of illiteracy. They gave their efforts and influence to secure its passage, and now that the appropriation is a fact they realize that their work has just begun. According to the bill enacted, "To issue bonds of the State of North Carolina for the permanent enlargement and improvement of the state's educational and charitable institutions. The State Board of Education duplicates out of said appropriation the sum of money raised and provided by any county, any school district, or community for the conduct of any school in said county, school district, or community for teaching illiterates over fourteen years of age for a term of not less than one month with an enrollment of not less than ten." The bill further provides, "That the State Board of Education is authorized to use annually not to exceed five thousand dollars of said appropriation for the organization and direction of said work of teaching illiterates under the direction of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction," This means that the sentiment for the night school, or moonlight school, or whatever the school for adult illiterates shall be called, must be fostered in the community. The state will help those who help themselves. How does your community stand in this matter? What are the club women going to do about it?

A recent conference with the State Superintendent revealed the fact that plans are in progress, although not yet completed, which will give club women in every county in the state an opportunity for service along this line. War does not lessen the need for this fight against illiteracy, but rather increases it, since in the unknown future before us, in which America must play so great a part, the increased intelligence of every individual is an essential factor.

The Committee on Illiteracy is thus encouraged to push more urgently the fight—No Illiteracy in the State in 1920!

The third committee of the Education Department, that on Scholarships and Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund, of which Mrs. S. L. Dill, Jr., of New Bern, is club chairman, submits the following:

\$625.00 has been loaned to seven girls in amounts ranging from \$45.00 to \$190.00.

One girl was forced to leave school on account of ill health. The others are at the East Carolina Teachers' Training School (five), and at the Normal (one). They are all preparing to teach. Three expect to graduate this spring.

The Federation scholarship at Salem Academy and College was awarded to a young woman whose application was endorsed by the president of that institution. The two at the University were already filled.

Requests for loans amounting to more than eighteen hundred dollars were received. The greatest difficulty confronting the committee was the elimination made necessary by the small amount of money available.

The Treasurer's report will show a balance on hand of barely enough to keep the girls on our list in school another year. If the usefulness of the fund is to be enlarged, it is imperative that it be materially increased. No work undertaken by the Federation is more important, and if the members could read the appeals for aid which come to the committee from all over the state, there would be no difficulty in raising the desired amount.

Five new applications for next year are on file, and the applicants are anxiously waiting, for unless the money is subscribed, they are without hope of being able to attend school.

The responses to the questions sent out by the chairman reveal various needs of the clubs along educational lines. The chairman, therefore, makes the following recommendations:

- 1. That the various lines of work undertaken be continued.
- 2. That a Committee on Vocational Guidance and Education be added.

- 3. That a Committee on Rural Education be added as a sub-committee on Cooperation with Schools.
- 4. That folders containing outlines of work along educational lines be prepared for the use of the clubs and sold for a nominal sum.

HEALTH

Miss Elizabeth Schwarburg, Chairman

The public health of the inhabitants of a state is without doubt the largest single interest with which a state needs to concern itself. Expressed even in commercial terms, it exceeds all others. There are fifteen hundred millions wasted yearly in preventable diseases. The conservation of the public health is therefore the largest interest to which the state must give its attention. This is one field of human endeavor in which an ounce of prevention is worth many pounds of cure.

We are told that health education is health salvation. In the matter of education, schools can be useful. Children can be taught the essentials of hygiene and sanitation. What can a child learn in school of greater importance than how to keep well and strong? Then, too, the churches can do their part. As leaders in the better tendencies of humanity and in most of our altruistic activities, the church has a rare opportunity to aid in the promotion of health work. Another factor is the women of the community. What a great responsibility is ours and how are we meeting it?

Tuberculosis claims one out of every three between the ages of fifteen and fifty. Last year three thousand two hundred and seventy-nine, or one hundred and forty-five out of every one hundred thousand died in North Carolina of this dread disease.

Typhoid fever kills one thousand North Carolinians annually and sickens ten thousand. One person out of three contracts it.

Do you work to get rid of the fly and his breeding places?

Our loss last year in the United States was about three

hundred thousand babies under one year of age, of whom at
least half would be living now had we as individuals and com-

munities applied those measures of hygiene and sanitation which are known and available. Here is a vast and unmeasured loss of infant life due solely to individual and community or civic neglect. It is now agreed that the conditions which destroy so many of the youngest lives of the community must also result in crippling and maiming many others, and must react unfavorably upon the health of the entire community.

Actual experience in medical school inspection has shown that 60 to 80 per cent. of school children are handicapped by physical defects and disease. Only 36 out of the 136 clubs in the Year Book reported to your Health Chairman answering the three questions on the health blank. Of these, 31 reported concerning the Red Cross seals, 5 interest in better babies week and contests, 13 have had lectures along health lines, and quite a number either support a public health nurse or work toward that end, and almost all interested in some way in the public health. It is hoped that most of the clubs in the Federation are indeed doing much for the health of their communities, though they have failed to report it through this channel.

As you know, much of the effort of the health department for the past year has been in connection with Dr. McBrayer, of the State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis, at Montrose. Most of the correspondence has been done through his office and we trust that by our united effort the state's health has been improved materially.

Dr. McBrayer, in summing up what has been accomplished through our help, says: "The increase in the sale of seals for 1916 over 1915 was 50 per cent., the total sales for 1915 being \$2,636.01, and for 1916 being \$4,775.04, an increase of \$2,139.03. I am sure the work and interest of the women's clubs had much to do with this increase." The interest aroused in public health nursing is nothing less than remarkable. The Woman's Club of Raleigh more than doubled their sale of seals, with the particular object in view of securing a public health nurse. This has been done and the nurse is now at work and a new system of correlated public health nursing has been inaugurated in Raleigh directly by and through the Woman's

Club that will be an example in public health nursing to the state and to the south, and perhaps over wider territory.

The clubs where they took action, and many of them did, had a splendid influence on the General Assembly in regard to the appropriation for this work. During the last year clubs have perhaps devoted more particular attention to the study of tuberculosis and public health in general than heretofore.

Taking it all in all, I feel that the work of the health department of the women's clubs throughout North Carolina has been a great and grand success, and that if they have accomplished nothing except what they have accomplished along this line in the last year, the organization is well worth while.

For next year we ask the same general cooperation, particular reference being paid to the following things:

- (1) Systematic study of the subject of tuberculosis.
- (2) Systematic study of public health along all lines, not forgetting the baby and all that pertains to his health and welfare.
- (3) Study of public health nursing, lending influence wherever possible in securing additional public health nurses or in the improvement of the service already had.
- (4) Hearty cooperation in the 1917 Red Cross seal campaign.

HOME ECONOMICS

Mrs. Henry A. White, Chairman

The Chairman of Home Economics has received an enlarged vision of the scope of Home Economics by attending the biennial and the Massachusetts conventions. Home Economics stands for better homes, and everything that tends to improve the home life of all the people is within its sphere. "Food and its Preparation" is but one side of the subject. Women should not neglect this, but "Child Welfare," for instance, is fully as important. Again we feel that many women ignore "System in Home Finances," and some part with their good

common sense and sometimes even their moral sense in the matter of "Clothes."

An outline program of the various phases of Home Economics was prepared and early in the fall was sent to all clubs known to be doing work in this line, and also to the state papers, and since that time to many others on request.

The Chairman has helped various clubs prepare their programs and has furnished material on these topics to all asking it.

Clippings on these subjects have been collected and classified and these with our loan library of Home Economics have been lent in forty different cases.

Through the courtesy of Miss Jane Fales, head of the Domestic Art Department of Teachers College, Columbia University, a part of the exhibit of the History of Costume shown at the biennial was borrowed and at the Council meeting, held in Morganton, in November, was shown on charming living models, and the Chairman gave a talk on "Sense and Conscience in Clothes." Afterwards these costumes were borrowed by the clubs in Charlotte, Wilmington, Lexington and Asheboro, and in the last two places the same lecture was given.

Besides these talks, the Chairman has given five other lectures to clubs and six to groups of non-club women on "Home Decoration," "Economy," etc.

Miss Jamieson, a member of the Home Economics Committee, in her extension work under the agricultural department of the state, has made a second visit to Anson, Moore, Granville and Sampson Counties, where she demonstrated for the clubs of farm women. In each of the following counties she spent a week or ten days, demonstrating once or twice a day: Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland, Mecklenburg, Union, Iredell, Guilford, Wayne, Edgecombe, Surry. She reports greater enthusiasm and real interest than before in five years. She has also demonstrated or lectured for seven federated clubs. She everywhere urges closer cooperation between rural home-makers and town women and often advises clubs of country women to federate.

The weekly government bulletins have been received and used where way opens.

The Chairman has kept in touch with Mrs. Gawler, Chairman of Home Economics of the General Federation.

The following report of clubs is necessarily incomplete, as not all have returned their blanks:

No. of clubs reporting Departments of Home Economics	24
No. of clubs giving some time to subject	4
Approximate number of club women studying subject	758
No. clubs studying balanced meals	18
No. clubs studying food sanitation	18
No. clubs studying home economy	17
No. clubs studying or practicing extension	t
No. clubs studying or practicing child welfare	11
No. clubs studying or serving school lunches	ç
No. clubs studying household employment	ç

Graham and Greensboro demonstrate each month and serve refreshments to those attending. Greensboro prints recipes of everything demonstrated. Salemburg practices cooperative cooking and serving of meals.

Greensboro, Louisburg and High Point emphasize Economy, and Wilmington and Sanford have stressed Gardening.

Chapel Hill made \$40,00 for a school piano and other funds by helping run a tea room. Gastonia collected about a hundred cups, saucers and plates for club use. Masonboro owns a canning outfit which is lent to the different members.

Oxford had a butcher demonstrate at one meeting the actual cutting up of a quarter of beef.

Raleigh is about to establish a market day for the exchange of commodities and ideas between country and city women.

At the request of the Whiteville Club the mayor ordered grocery stores to be screened. Charlotte has secured an ordinance requiring fruit to be screened.

Whiteville and Masonboro observe baby week.

Wilmington has established a milk station which it has turned over to the health department, but the club still helps in its support. Wilson serves hot lunches in its public schools and has done something toward simplicity in graduation gowns.

West End sent an exhibit of relative food values to the county commencement, and Burgaw will have an exhibit at the county fair.

A trained domestic science teacher, a member of the West End Club, gives her services free in the school once a week and Lenoir has a similarly well equipped woman who teaches the older girls in school in a room fitted out by the club. In Sanford the school board equipped a room for the demonstrations of the Home Economics Department, which they hope is a step toward establishing the teaching of Domestic Science in the school. Raleigh gives weekly demonstrations by capable women, in the mill schools, which are appreciated by the women of the mill village. Wake County Betterment Association has helped maintain Domestic Science classes in country schools where there were no funds for equipment. Whiteville is working for Domestic Science in the schools,

Charlotte served a dinner to teachers, which was financed by the education department, and the same club has had a number of special lectures.

LIBRARY EXTENSION

Miss Mary Ragan, Chairman

"Library Extension aims to supply to every man, woman and child, either through its own resources or by cooperation with other affiliated agencies, what each community, or any group in any community, or any individual in the community, may require for mental stimulus, intellectual recreation or practical knowledge and information useful in one's daily occupation."

The Library Extension Department has endeavored to arouse interest in Library Extension during the past year, and has tried in every way to cooperate with the Library Commission.

Of the 139 clubs in the Federation, 45 are in towns without a library. Early in October a letter was sent to each of these clubs asking that they work along this line during the year, so that the number could be reduced by the time of this meeting. Few of them made any response to this. Only twelve clubs are registered in the year book as doing work along this line. The following clubs report libraries at work: Albemarle, Asheville, Salisbury, Lenoir, Asheboro, Canton, Kernersville, Greenville, Washington, Farmville, Maxton, Gastonia, Jamestown, Hickory, Winston-Salem, Enfield, Durham, Sanford, Weldon, Henderson, Concord, Raleigh, Fayetteville, Wadesboro, Carthage, Whiteville, Elon College, Nashville, Oxford, Ansonville, New Bern, Warsaw, Faison, Fremont, Greensboro, Goldsboro, Waynesville, Smithfield, Burgaw, Tryon, Wallace, Southport, Chadbourn, Rowland, Wilmington, and Salemburg. Four clubs have borrowed State Free Loan Libraries. Over 21 of these libraries have from 300 to 12,500 volumes, and 16 have over 1,000 volumes.

With the exception of Asheville, Raleigh, Wilmington, Winston-Salem, Durham, Greensboro and Charlotte, which are public libraries, the majority of the others are open to the public through small subscriptions, and in most cases largely supported by the women's clubs.

The Betterment Association, of Gastonia, decided that the time was ripe for a free library, and a committee went before the mayor and aldermen with a petition asking that sufficient support be given to make a free library possible. It was given without hesitation, and this library went on record the day after as a free library, and it is hoped that \$2,000.00 can be raised during this year.

The Woman's Club of Albemarle has bought a private library. This is supported by subscription, and is being operated with splendid success under the auspices of the Woman's Club.

A woman's club and a town library seem to go hand in hand. Nearly all the libraries in the towns and cities of North Carolina have had small beginnings, and a large number of them owe their origin to the efforts of the local women's clubs. Libraries are usually a growth from a small collection of books which almost any club can start. Consideration to a public library project is complimentary to a community, as it shows a sense of civic responsibility and a desire for future progress. No town can hope to live up to its greatest possibilities without a public library. The most valuable things are usually obtained at some sacrifice, and the many advantages to be derived from a public library are worth striving for. A public library is a necessity—not a luxury. Every community which realizes this, and establishes a library, proclaims itself an intelligent, progressive town and one worth living in. There are many ways of arousing and increasing interest in this movement. One of the most effective means of conducting a library campaign is through the press, and material for this may be secured from the Library Commission.

A very practical way to arouse interest in library work is to secure a box of books from the Library Commission to be circulated in the community. A few must take the lead, and any community worth living in is worth improving; and any community worth improving has in it wondrous possibilities worth all the tediousness of development.

LITERATURE

Miss Bettie D. Windley, Chairman

In reviewing the work which the Department of Literature has accomplished during the past two years, your Chairman is convinced more than ever of the value of literary and study clubs to the Federation and to the state. What an inspiration it is, both mentally and spiritually, to have so many women learning to know the great leaders of the world through their thoughts and aims and ideals expressed in real books. It is gratifying to see that the work of our department is steadily increasing. This is shown in several ways; for example, the number of literary clubs or departments in May, 1915, was 70, while today there are more than 100, 23 of these being new or

newly federated this year. In the contest in short stories, poetry, and research there were 29 entries last year and 62 this, representing respectively 4 and 11 clubs. This increased activity of the clubs has naturally made new demands upon the Chairman, for twice as many clubs have asked for assistance with programs this year as last, and her correspondence has increased 60 per cent.

The new method of having report forms issued by the Secretary for all chairmen has brought good results in this department, for 66 clubs responded. The three questions asked by your chairman were: First, "What has been your subject of study this year?"; second, "What methods of study have been most profitable to your members?"; and third, "Of what real value has your club been to your community?'' The reports received are most interesting, and also helpful to the Chairman, as by means of them she is enabled to pass forward good suggestions from one club to another. One thing, however, was lacking-few of the large clubs responded to the call. Many of the reports show that the clubs are doing excellent work, thereby stimulating the members to study and thought. Some of the answers given to these questions are better than any comment your Chairman can make upon the work of the department:

First, as to the subjects chosen. The tendency of modern thought to know its own age is distinctly and emphatically shown here, for purely literary programs were chosen by not half the clubs. Of these subjects, Shakespeare was most popular and American literature next. Other subjects were: Browning, Modern Drama, English Literature, Women Writers of the Nineteenth Century, North Carolina Writers, and Bible as Literature. Next in number to the literary subjects are those upon current events, the most popular being: Latin America, Our Own Country, the Countries now at War. All of the clubs taking these subjects report much information gained and much interest manifested. The charms of history have not been overlooked, for some clubs have programs entirely historical, those on our own state taking the lead. Oxford Woman's Club took its own town and county. Among

the miscellaneus subjects, one on "Our Native Birds" adds a new phase to our work.

The answers to the second question, as to the most popular method of study, show that the tendency now is to change from the formal papers to informal discussions, supplemented by readings, talks, occasional papers and lectures by noted people whenever possible. A response to roll call with quotations or items of interest is also recommended. The Bay View and Chautauqua reading courses are proving helpful to new clubs and to those in towns without large libraries.

In considering our last question, "What is the real value of a literary club to your community?" we reach the heart of our subject. So many women are interested in this phase of club work and give this department such an important place in the Federation that they must consider literary study worth while. Some leaders report that their clubs have accomplished direct and concrete results; some feel that the results, though indirect, are strong and widespread. For example, many say that the community has become interested in the topic of the club's study. Among the direct results mentioned are, medals given in schools for essays, magazines distributed, libraries organized and assisted, pageants presented in several places, help given Red Cross, Travelers' Aid, and other social work, musical advantages given in two small towns, while Greenville is helping to educate girls in the East Carolina Teachers' Training School. These are some of the good results which can be seen by all, but more potent still are unseen forces which make for stronger character, more enlightened womanhood, and better citizenship. Let me give you a few quotations from the reports: "Our club has rested, entertained and instructed us, thereby making us better members of society." "Our club has developed our members both in speaking and writing." "We feel that the study of the world's best literature is always a definite gain to any community." "Our club has been an inspiration for deeper, broader study and given confidence to the members that they are capable of and will enjoy literary attainment." "Our club has developed in our members the ability to think clearly, speak with ease and act with good judgment upon matters pertaining to the welfare of our community."

The study of our clubs, their needs, and how to answer them has been a means of education to be greatly valued, and the opportunity of working with the women in our Federation has been and will continue to be an inspiration and joy to me. Our work, with the University of North Carolina assisting us, should grow more and more helpful to us as individuals and through us to our community.

MUSIC

Mrs. William French, Chairman

The valuable aid which the music clubs of the State Federation are giving to all movements tending towards the uplift and bettering of music conditions in their respective communities is of great significance. The community club spirit is being strongly developed through musical activities, no less than through civics and other departments.

The music clubs as a whole have done excellent work this past year. Four new clubs have been added, 2 clubs have withdrawn, making a total of twenty-five music clubs in the State Federation.

Following are extracts from some of the club reports:

The Treble Clef Club, of Charlotte, has studied the history of music this year. It has presented to the public one organ recital and a North Carolina singer in concert. This club also sent a delegate to the National Federation of Music Clubs which met in Birmingham April 10th.

The Euterpe Club, of Greensboro, has studied Italian opera; they have been most active in securing visiting artists. This is one of the largest and most active music clubs in the Federation.

The Woman's Club, of Raleigh, studied musical forms interspersed with splendid programmes and lectures illustrating the various forms. This club assisted in bringing to Raleigh several celebrated artists, among them Paderewski and Maude

Powell. An Annual May Music Festival has been made an assured event through the cooperation of this department.

The Music Department of Sorosis, of Wilmington, studied American music, beginning with the aboriginal period, and presented visiting artists in concert. This department furnished a delightful programme at the ninth district meeting, and has recently purchased a victoria for use of the entire club.

The MacDowell Club, of Statesville, studied opera and gave a request programme and a sacred concert at Sherar Music Hall for the public.

The Music Department of the New Bern Woman's Club has studied American music. They have presented excellent programmes of American composers.

The Book Club, of Wadesboro, devoted six meeting to the study of opera, with musical selections from the different operas.

The Music Department of the Woman's Club, at Albemarle, studied German opera. They have organized a boys' choir and have recently organized a chorus of women's voices.

The Woman's Club, of Dunn, reports good work for the Music Department. Opera was the subject of its first year's work.

The Woman's Club, of Henderson, has been most active in choral work. This club has given one sacred cantata.

The Goldsboro Woman's Club reports good work done by its Music Department. They have studied American music and composers. Through their efforts a very interesting piano and violin recital was offered to the public. They promoted a community Christmas tree and composed a chorus which sang Christmas carols.

St. Cecilia's Music Club, of Laurinburg, rendered a sacred cantata given at Laurinburg and at Flora Macdonald College, Red Springs.

The Music Department of the Woman's Club, of Oxford, has done fine work their first year. They have arranged several recitals, promoted the community Christmas tree, and during the national week of song gave an interesting programme of old songs, illustrated with living pictures; also a recital of folk songs presented by Mrs. Wade R. Brown, of Greensboro.

Many of the clubs have well organized choruses; some have promoted the annual community Christmas tree. The common aim of all of the clubs is the desire to awaken their communities to a full knowledge and appreciation of music by affording them an opportunity to hear good music.

Some of the clubs in the Federation have no music department, but have a music committee which provides music as a part of each club program. In several of the clubs these music committees provide one or more musical meetings during the year.

Your Chairman has endeavored to be of every assistance possible to all clubs seeking aid or suggestions. She has made one talk in the interest of music; this at the ninth district meeting at Wallace. She has kept in close touch with the music scholarships at Salem Academy. One of these scholarships has recently been awarded for use next year, and the other will be awarded in the next few weeks, application having already been made.

Your Chairman has labored to bring before each club the duty of becoming familiar with our Federation Song. Ten dollars is the sum realized from the sale of the club song this year. This sum, together with funds secured by former Music Chairmen, has made it possible for the Music Department to offer this year to the Federation a silver loving cup, to be known as the Federation Music Cup. This cup will be awarded each year to the winner of best music in the original music contest. Miss Pearl Little, of Hickory, was the successful contestant this year.

The following suggestions are made for next year's work:

- (1) To specialize on American music from its beginning.
- (2) To make the music legends, folk lore, and history of our state a study.
- (3) To interest local public libraries in having well selected musical work for reference study.
 - (4) To encourage original music compositions.
 - (5) That all clubs devote one programme during the year

to the consideration and study of music as an influence in the work of all other departments.

Galilei said: "Music is not simply the occupation of a few learned men, but belongs to the whole world;" and we would say that music does not belong to our department, but to the whole Federation.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Mrs. J. S. Williams, Chairman

"Low aim, not failure, is a crime." This is why your Chairman, sub-chairmen and members of the committees are not criminals. We aimed to do many things that we failed to do.

One goal we hoped to reach was to establish a travelers' worker in some of the larger towns where there are none. Any local travelers' aid can be conducted under any auspices desired—Y. W. C. A., King's Daughters, or any denomination. The Chairman of the Travelers' Aid Committee made an effort to have the Social Service Departments provide a special travelers' aid program, and in many ways tried to interest them in this work. Some were interested, but nothing definite accomplished, though there is a crying need for this service.

Your Chairman and sub-chairman spent much time in trying to procure better motion pictures for children and young people. The sub-chairman in her report says that two things are pressingly needed: First, films free from sensational evil; second, special films for young people. Not a system of censorship, but a state board of publicity could effect a change in the demand for better pictures. The Federation, by means of publicity, should preach good films and cooperate with the producers and managers in their effort to secure the best pictures.

The establishment of an Industrial Home and Training. School for Delinquent Girls and Women has been of universal interest. Not only the Social Service Department of the Federation, but the Social Service Conference and many other organizations and individuals have contributed their share of labor to this cause, and were successful in their efforts.

Much splendid work has been done this year by the Social

Service Departments of the various clubs. Reports have been received from 22 clubs. The following items are gleaned from some of the reports: Jails visited; Christmas cheer provided for inmates of county home; baby bags provided for newly born babies to be used by nurses of the Associated Charities; many shut-ins cheered; Christmas baskets sent to the needy; aid given Belgian relief; hospital supplies sent to Europe; aided in improvement of conditions at county home; attended trial of boys; provided privacy for women prisoners; established rest room for country women and children; nurses, both white and colored, supported and directed in doing settlement work; pleasure club organized among mill girls; advice given negro mothers; community Christmas tree provided; bought motion picture machine for graded school; used influence to secure Industrial Home for Girls; Thanksgiving dinner furnished inmates of county home, and visits made during the year; provided surgical operations for children who were defectives or invalids. One organization has placed more than 20 children in homes and schools. One club mentions assistance given in organizing woman's club for negro women. Another mentions creating a desire among the negroes for better health conditions, thereby protecting their own race and preventing the spread of disease among white people.

In answer to the question, "What is the greatest need of philanthropic character in your community?" we mention a few answers: Curfew law and playgrounds; police matron; provision for the treatment of juvenile delinquents and incorrigibles; more attention to physical defects of children; definite source of funds with which to carry on the work; recreation centers, clean amusements, public baths for mill workers; better motion pictures; juvenile court.

While only 33 clubs have Social Service Departments, that does not represent all the social service work done in the Federation and outside. Splendid service is being rendered by civic leagues, betterment associations, parent-teachers' associations, etc. It seems that the coming year holds a larger opportunity for service than any we have ever known. May the women of the Federation live up to the privileges before them.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE

Mrs. Sidney Cooper, Chairman

Since the last meeting of this body in High Point, May, 1916, the members of the Finance Committee have worked without ceasing to complete the endowment fund of five thousand dollars, as directed by the convention.

You, no doubt, remember that it was unanimously decided that the Finance Committee make an effort to complete the fund before this meeting, and the following recommendation was adopted: "That the clubs be requested, through their presidents, to pledge a certified sum in proportion to their membership, so that the entire amount of the Endowment Fund of \$5,000 can be completed this year (before May, 1917) and the members of the convention will be relieved in future of the annual pledge made from the floor for this purpose." The clubs were requested to pay at the rate of \$1,00 per member. The Federation also adopted a definite plan to raise the endowment fund by naming a time to be known as Federation Week, when the clubs of every town in the state should concentrate their activities for the completion of the five thousand dollar fund. The first week in November was decided upon by the Finance Committee for Federation Week. A number of clubs during the week raised their contribution for this cause.

Your President, in her message to you in our Year Book, said: "Among the causes for which we are pledged to work by the resolutions passed at the High Point convention are, first of all, our endowment fund."

Over 750 letters have been sent out and over 250 received by the Chairman of this committee alone, with the following results:

Amount paid to Mrs. Cooper	.\$1,017.85
Amount paid to Miss Fries	. 420.65
Amount pledged, not collected	. 150.00
	\$1,588.50
Interest this year	. 89.39
May, 1916, amount in full	. 1,767.25
May, 1917, amount in full	.\$3,445.14
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\$1,554.86 remained to be collected before the goal of \$5,000.00 is reached.

Ten clubs have declined to contribute anything this year, representing 291 members; thirty-three clubs have not been heard from, representing 845 members; total, 1,136 members. Only twenty-five clubs have paid their full share of one dollar per member this year.

Your Chairman was invited to attend a number of the district meetings, but was compelled to decline all except the meeting of the seventh district in Louisburg. The endowment fund was most ably presented at a number of the district meetings by Mrs. Johnson, of Raleigh, Miss Gibson, of Wilmington, Mrs. Brown, of Chadbourn, Mrs. Hook, of Charlotte, Miss Windley, of New Bern, Mrs. Elmo Powell, of Whiteville, and others, who explained the financial situation of the Federation and the importance of having the endowment fund.

It is with sincere regret that the Finance Committee is forced to report that the Fund is not completed. It is very necessary that the sum be raised as soon as possible that the interest may be used to cover all recurring deficits in current expenses, and for the furtherance of work. Without money the splendid work of the Federation cannot be continued. The committee again begs your interest and cooperation.

I wish to express my appreciation to those who have contributed to the fund, and to thank our President and Treasurer for their assistance, and the members of the Finance Committee for their untiring efforts to make the year's work more successful.

MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. E. F. Reid, Chairman

We are quite proud of our family this year. There have been thirty-three additions, and all strong, healthy children! The first member of this interesting family to arrive was the Music Club, of Gastonia, in June, 1916, and the latest arrival is the Granville County Federation, with 500 members.

Among the more robust, we find the Woman's Club of Waxhaw, with 40 members; Civic League, of Asheville, with 55; and the Community Club, of Hickory, with 150 members. This last named club was organized by Mrs. Lingle in February. One of the first things they did was to join the Federation and the next big thing they accomplished was securing the necessary appropriation from their town to maintain a Carnegie library.

In dollars and cents these new clubs have brought into our treasury, through their Federation dues, about \$100.00. But there are some things which cannot possibly be measured by dollars and cents. Think of the brains and energy represented by these clubs, and all directed in one way or another toward the uplift of humanity. Who can estimate it? 1,225 new members have been added this year. To these precocious children we extend our living good will and bid them Godspeed in all their endeavors. The following is a list of the new clubs:

Music Club, Gastonia; Woman's Club, Andrews; Haleyon Club, Clayton; Woman's Betterment Association, Rich Square; Civic League, Clarkton; Community Club, Macon; Fortnightly Club, Asheville; Every Other Thursday Club, Brevard; Phi Beta Club, Thomasville; Time and Tide Club, Asheville; Woman's Club, Waxhaw; Twentieth Century Club, Hamlet; Civic League, Asheville; Woman's Betterment Association, Nashville; Western Carolina Branch Southern Association of College Women, Asheville; Community Club, Middleburg; Wednesday Club, Brevard; Boyd Chapel Utility Club, Asheville; Community Club, Hickory; Woman's Club, Dunn; Thursday Afternoon Club, Raleigh; Community Club, Wrightsville; Book

Lovers, Robersonville; Woman's Club, Oriental; The Reviewers, Greensboro; Thursday Afternoon Book Club, Dunn; Book Club, Morven; Sidney Lanier Book Club, Fairmount; Woman's Community Club, West End; Tuesday Club, Bryson City; Woman's Auxiliary of North Carolina Children's Home Society, Greensboro; Civic League, Troy; Granville County Federation Women's Clubs.

Eight clubs have withdrawn or become disorganized during the year, as follows: Fayetteville Book Club, Fayetteville Woman's Study Club; Clemmons Civic and Benevolent League; Milton Woman's Betterment Association; Salisbury Woman's Club; Wilmington Housewives League; Bryson City Friendly Dozen; Fremont Wineau Club.

LEGISLATION

Mrs. J. R. Chamberain, Chairman

At the last meeting of the State Federation at High Point, I had the distinction to be elected Chairman of the Committee on Legislation. I succeeded a very active and efficient woman, who had been clearing paths successfully for several years, and had accomplished much. I refer to Mrs. Z. V. Judd, now of Alabama.

The Federation watchword was "concentrate" in legislation as well as in other things, and the two measures which were taken as the especial work for the Federation in this legislature were the establishment of a State Welfare Commission, and a State Home for Delinquent Girls and Women.

Two associates were appointed, Miss Kirby, of Goldsboro, and Mrs. Al Fairbrother, of Greensboro. Both these women stand for the best we have in this body. I found the greatest unanimity of sentiment regarding the welfare commission. That measure, launched by the Social Service forces of the state, seems to have been well recommended for passage from the first. While I gave it a push in the right direction wherever possible, I feel that I needed to add little to its momentum.

It is unfortunate that owing to one of those blunders which come in hastening legislation at the last, its appropriation did not pass in legal form, though clearly intended. The measure is, however, accomplished, and will not be reversed.

The second measure, the Home for Delinquent Girls, I found in much confusion of idea. There were differences of opinion, even in my own committee, regarding the proper provisions. Miss Kirby felt that the bill decided upon by the various forces, social service, health and federated women, did not represent her views at all, and with the resolute sincerity which she represents, she differed from the committee, but only as regards that particular reform.

In her place I asked to have Mrs. B. H. Griffin, of Raleigh, appointed. She was in sympathy with our bill, has done work among these unfortunates, and succeeded as only one can whose sweet and ardent charity discerns between the sin and the sinner.

Mrs. Clarence Johnson, our Vice-President, was also of the greatest help to me, and many women of the Raleigh club did me the honor to assist especially in the novel and difficult work of our public hearing before the joint committee of the Senate and the House.

Dr. Rankin, of the Board of Health, I must also mention as a counsellor. It needed us all to get the bill passed, legislature was a forward looking one, containing many young men, progressive and constructive, and with a vision of what should be done along philanthropic lines. Your Mr. Pegram, of Durham, presented a somewhat similar bill to ours, and a very good one was introduced while we were still undecided about details of ours. This bill was considered and some of its provisions adopted. Senator Scales introduced our bill, and many others helped and worked. Faithful support in and out of season was given by all club women and by many citizens. Mrs. Griffin at the Yarborough Hotel devotedly watched the trend of opinion among the members. At the last of the session the bill was retrieved, when we feared it would not pass. But it was passed, showing that getting together does accomplish things sometimes.

The Conservation Forestry Bill, also backed by the Federation, failed, but not for lack of presentation. I myself was sick for a week just at the time of its hearing, and did not help as I would have liked, but I feel sure that Miss Thorns did all that was possible. The final form of the Scales Bill I will not discuss here, but I will be glad to tell any one interested about it.

The appointment of women on the boards of institutions has been initiated on a footing which makes it a good precedent, which can be pushed at leisure.

I will close by quoting a remark heard on the capitol stairway, from a stout gentleman, residence, politics, and name unknown to me. He said, as I passed him: "This is the blamedest' legislature I ever saw; you can't do anything with em. Nobody but the Farmers' Union and the State Federation seems to have a look in." I felt most important to be thus bracketed with the bone and sinew of the state, and I hope we will never ask for anything that is not for the good of all, all over this dear State of North Carolina.

DISTRICT RECIPROCITY

Mrs. W. B. Waddill, Chairman

As some of the districts had proved to be too large for effectual work during last year, two new ones, Nos. 12 and 13, were formed at the beginning of this club year, so that the total number is now thirteen, with a sub-chairman in charge of each.

The districts have heretofore included only the federated clubs, which left many sections of the state without any organized effort to enlist them in the work of the state club organization. So to make the work of this department more helpful, the whole state has been districted by counties, and an area assigned to the respective sub-chairmen, who have undertaken extension work in addition to their previous duties. They have especially endeavored to aid the Membership Chairman in get-

ting a federated club in those counties that were not represented in the State Federation.

A state survey at the begining of the year showed of our 100 counties, 58 with federated clubs, 42 with none. Today the figures stand 68 and 32, showing a net gain in territory for the Federation of ten counties. If this number can be added each year, within three years more there will be a federated club in every county of North Carolina. This is not too much for us to confidently expect.

A careful estimate of the state area shows that when fifteen sections of districts can be made, there will be sufficient division for all future work. This can be done as is made necessary by increase of clubs in those thirty-two counties that have none at present. I would recommend the making of one new district for next year, using for its territory part of Districts No. 1 and 11, both of which are too large in size.

The reports of the sub-chairmen show what splendid meetings they have arranged and what good work has been done by their districts.

I cannot say too much in honor of these thirteen chairmen, for their untiring efforts and their interested cooperation has made the district work what it has been this year, and without them the Chairman of this department would be helpless indeed. Each of the thirteen districts have held enthusiastic meetings with excellent attendance from all clubs. The hostess clubs and dates are as follows:

Raleigh, for District No. 6, October 24th.
Winston-Salem, for District No. 2, October 26th.
Lexington, for District No. 3, October 27th.
Louisburg, for District No. 7, October 28th.
Wilson, for District No. 13, November 3rd.
Lenoir, for District No. 11, November 14th.
Greenville, for District No. 10, February 1st.
Whiteville, for District No. 12, March 22nd.
Wallace, for District No. 9, March 24th.
Goldsboro, for District No. 8, March 27th.
Carthage, for District No. 5, March 29th.

Shelby, for District No. 4, March 29th. Hendersonville, for District No. 1, April 21st.

As the district work can be made to touch every department of the State Federation, its power for good is without limit, and I look forward to the time when through its extension service, every community in every county of North Carolina will feel the good influence of a federated club and be a working part of one of the districts.

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- Asheboro-Woman's Club, Mrs. William C. Hammer.
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- Bethel—Round Dozen Club, Mrs. W. H. Woolard, Mrs. H. V. Staton.
- Black Mountain—Woman's Betterment Association, Mrs. A. A. Hegeman.
- Brevard—Brevard Wednesday Club, Mrs. Thomas H. Shipman. Canton—Woman's Club, Mrs. T. J. Bailey, Mrs. R. J. Sprang. Carthage—Woman's Club, Mrs. T. B. Tyson.
- Chadbourn-Young Matron's Club, Mrs. W. F. Smith.
- Chapel Hill—Community Club, Mrs. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Mrs. H. W. Chase, Miss Hattie Berry, Miss Mary Pritchard.
- Charlotte—Sorosis, Mrs. Hugh A. Murrill, Mrs. Eugene Reilley; Woman's Club, Mrs. Julian Jeffries, Mrs. Charles E. Platt, Mrs. C. C. Orndorff, Mrs. Gordon Finger.
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- Clinton—Woman's Club, Mrs. L. E. Whitfield; Sorosis, Mrs. Lewis E. Whitfield.
- Dunn-Woman's Club, Mrs. V. L. Stevens, Mrs. P. S. Cooper; Thursday Afternoon Book Club, Mrs. Jay Lloyd Wade.
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Hamlet—Twentieth Century Book Club, Mrs. J. C. Sanders, Mrs. A. C. Friedlen.

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Ingold-Woman's Club, Mrs. E. F. Eaton.

Kernersville—Woman's Club, Mrs. J. Gilmer Korner, Mrs. D. Lan Donnell.

King's Mountain-Civic League, Mrs. Lizzie Falls.

Lexington—Club of Twelve, Mrs. George Montcastle, Miss Camille Hunt; Sorosis, Mrs. H. B. Varner.

Lenoir—Wise and Otherwise, Mrs. Mason Hickerson, Mrs. Rufus Gwyn; Woman's Betterment Association, Miss Elizabeth Randolph, Mrs. E. F. Reid.

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Lumberton-Civic League, Mrs. J. A. Sharp.

Macon—Community Club, Mrs. C. O. Phelps, Mrs. Edwin Russell.

Middleburg—Middleburg Community Club, Mrs. T. P. Rose, Mrs. M. V. Fleming.

Morehead City-Lanier Book Club, Mrs. M. Mallison.

Morganton-United Charities, Mrs. J. B. Riddle.

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Mount Olive-Twentieth Century Club, Mrs. H. J. Pope.

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New Bern-Woman's Club, Mrs. J. M. Spencer, Miss Mary Ward, Mrs. C. L. Ives, Mrs. C. D. Bradham.

Oriental-Woman's Club, Miss Love Ritch.

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Pantego—Woman's Betterment Association, Mrs. E. S. Credle, Mrs. Clyde W. Smith.

Raleigh—Raleigh Branch So. Asso. College Women, Miss Helen Urquhart, Mrs. Ernest Cruikshank; Twentieth Century Club, Mrs. T. Rufus Hunter, Mrs. B. P. Williamson; Woman's Club, Mrs. E. C. Duncan, Mrs. W. A. Withers,

- Mrs. James Briggs, Mrs. Tom Bost, Dr. Delia Dixon-Carroll, Mrs. George Lay, Mrs. C. A. Shore.
- Randleman—Woman's Betterment Association, Mrs. P. C. Story, Mrs. R. P. Deal.
- Rich Square—Woman's Betterment Association, Mrs. H. D. Holoman.
- Roxboro-Research Club, Mrs. R. J. Teague, Mrs. A. S. de Vlanning.
- Sanford—Woman's Club, Mrs. J. P. Monroe, Mrs. J. R. Ingram; Literary Club, Mrs. W. A. Crabtree, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence.
- Shelby—Civic League, Mrs. Clyde R. King; Twentieth Century Club, Mrs. L. M. Hull, Miss Annie Miller; Ishpenning Club, Miss Nell Ligon, Miss Pattie Roberts.
- Smithfield—Woman's Club, Mrs. H. P. Stevens, Mrs. H. L. Skinner.
- Southern Pines—Civic Club, Mrs. F. E. Shaw, Miss Annie Jenks.
- Spring Hope—Pierian Society, Mrs. J. O. May, Mrs. H. D. Brantley.
- Thomasville—Chautauqua S. and L. Circle, Mrs. J. W. Pea-Cock; Civic League, Mrs. J. A. Morris, Mrs. G. T. Cochrane; Phi Beta Club, Mrs. Arthur Morris, Mrs. C. A. Julian.
- Troy-Civic League, Mrs. J. A. Goodwin.
- Tryon-Lanier Club, Mrs. W. T. Lindsey.
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- Warsaw—Woman's Club, Mrs. H. L. Stevens, Mrs. Charles Carroll.
- Waynesville-Mrs. M. Silver.
- Whiteville—Woman's Club, Mrs. R. C. Sadler, Mrs. Elmo Powell.
- Wilmington-N. C. Sorosis, Mrs. J. M. Solky, Miss Margaret Gibson, Mrs. Adolph Goodman, Mrs. E. H. Munson.
- Wilson-Woman's Club, Mrs. H. E. Connor, Jr., Mrs. Walter Woodard, Mrs. Graham Woodard.

- Winston-Salem—Sorosis, Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Mrs. W. T. Carter; Monday Afternoon Book Club, Mrs. Robert Gorrell.
- Wrightsville—Community Club, Mr. W. B. Cooper, Mrs. L. A. Blue.

DELEGATES FROM AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

- Wake County Betterment Association, Mrs. W. T. Carstarphen, Wake Forest.
- Granville County Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. W. R. Kimbell, Henderson.
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Woman's Club

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Highlands Improvement Society

Marion Twentieth Century Club
Murphy Woman's Club
Tryon Lanier Club Waynesville Woman's Club

DISTRICT NO. 2

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Elkin Civic League Kernersville Woman's Club

Winston-Salem ... Chautauqua Literary Circle

Community Club

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Round Dozen Club

Sorosis

Woman's Reading Club

DISTRICT NO. 3

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Asheboro Woman's Club			
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Friday Afternoon Club			
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Sorosis			
Milton Book Club			
Randleman Woman's Betterment Association			
Siler City Community Club			
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Civic League			
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Trinity Book Club			
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Morven Book Club
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Woman's Club

Southern Pines ... Civic Club
Troy ... Woman's Club
Wadesboro ... Book Club
West End ... Community Club

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Clayton Haleyon Club
Durham Civic Association
Haleyon Literary Club

Elon College Book Club

Graham Woman's Club

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Thursday Afternoon Club Twentieth Century Club

Woman's Club
Roxboro ... Research Club
Smithfield ... Woman's Club

DISTRICT NO. 7

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Henderson Alma Club Woman's Club

Woman's Tuesday Club

Louisburg Woman's Club
Macon Community Club
Middleburg Community Club
Oxford Woman's Club
Weldon Book Club

DISTRICT NO. 8

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Southport Civic Club
Wallace Woman's Club
Warsaw Woman's Club
Wilmington Masonboro Mother's Club (R. F. D. No. 2)
North Carolina Sorosis
Winter Park Civic League (R. F. D.)
Wrightsville Community Club
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DISTRICT NO. 11

Miss Elizabeth Randolph, Lenoir District President
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Hickory Community Club
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Lenoir Wise and Otherwise Club

Woman's Betterment Association

Morganton United Charities

Newton Virginia Dare Book Club Salisbury The Travelers

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Clarkton Civic League

Fairmount Sidney Lanier Book Club

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Lumberton Civic Association

Maxton Edinburg Book Club Rowland Civic League Whiteville Woman's Club

DISTRICT NO. 13

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Friday Afternoon Book Club

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	Mrs. Hilliard Morris Secretary
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	Members 15
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	Members 54
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Home Economics	Mrs. Wm. Sidney Porter President
Literature	Secretary
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Literature Home	Members 160	Secretary
Economics	100	

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Civic League

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Halcyon Club	
Mrs. W. P. Creech Mrs. H. G. Pope Members 21	Literature
CLINTON	
Woman's Club	
Mrs. Annie Graham	Civics Music Home
Members 40 The Sorosis	Economics Library
Mrs. B. P. Smith Miss Zora Culbreth Members 21	Literature Civics
CONCORD	
Floral Club	
Mrs. J. F. Goodson	A A
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Mrs. J. C. Gibson Mrs. G. A. Carver Members 12	 Literature Civics
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ELIZABETH CITY

Civic League

Mrs. C. H. Robinson			
Miss Lilly Grandy	Secretary	Social	Service
Members 30			

ELKIN

Civic League

		Education Social Service
Members 20		Conservation

ELON COLLEGE

Book Club

Mrs. E. Oscar Randolph Mrs. Edgar Randolph Members 17	President Secretary	Literature Civics Health Conservation
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ENFIELD

Students' Club

Miss Mary B. Collins	President	Literature
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Members 14		

FAIRMOUNT

Sidney Lanier Book Club

Mrs. J. A. Bobbitt	President	Literature
Mrs. J. L. Watson	Secretary	
Members 25	-	

FAISON

Sesame Club

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Miss Emily Hill	Secretary	Literature
Members 25	•	Health
		Music

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Conservation Home Economics Music Art Health Civics	Woman's Civic Association Mrs. N. A. Sinclair	
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Literature	Mrs. J. H. Hinderlite President Miss Mary Ragan Secretary Members 16	
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Home Economics Literature Music Civics Education Conservation	Woman's Club Miss Mary DeVane President Mrs. J. D. Hardin Secretary Members 174 GRAHAM	
Civics Home Economics Education Health	Woman's Club Mrs. J. D. Kernodle	

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Mrs. R. M. Andrews	Secretary		
Miss Emma King		Literature	
Woman's Auxiliary N. C. Children's Home So	ciety		
Mrs. R. L. Justice Mrs. L. H. Putnam Members 60		Social Service	
The Reviewers			
Mrs. T. A. Hunter Mrs. M. G. Newell Members 18		Literature	
Woman's Club			
Mrs. Cordes P. Langley Mrs. J. W. Petty Members 100		Home Economics Literature	
GREENVILLE		Social Service	
Round Table			
Mrs. T. A. Person Mrs. W. B. Tilghman Members 20		Literature Civics	
Southern Association College Women			
Miss Martha W. Armstrong		Education Social Service	
HAMLET			
Twentieth Century Club			
Mrs. T. L. Reed Mrs. A. G. Powers			

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HENDERSON

Alma Club

Literature	Mrs. Carroll V. Singleton President Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper Secretary Members 20
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Literature Music Health Social Service Civics Home	Mrs. A. J. Cheek President Mrs. L. J. Rux Secretary Members 86
Economics	Woman's Tuesday Club
Literature	Mrs. G. A. Rose President Mrs. F. R. Harris Secretary Members 20
	HENDERSONVILLE
	Woman's Club
Civics Literature Education	Mrs. Michael Schenck President Mrs. J. W. Bailey Secretary Members 35
	HICKORY
	Community Club
Civics Education	Mrs. J. Worth Elliott President Mrs. D. B. Gaddy Secretary Members 170
	Thursday Study Club
Literature Art Music Civics Library	Mrs. C. C. Bost President Mrs. T. C. Blackburn . Secretary Members 15
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	Improvement Society
Civics Health	Mrs. C. A. Hill President Mrs. W. Hampton Perry Secretary Members 15

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	Health Music
Woman's Club Mrs. W. I. Wright	Civics Health Education Library Home
JAMESTOWN	Economic
Woman's Club Mrs. Joseph Smith Mrs. Venable Members 25	Civics Home Economic
KERNERSVILLE	
Woman's Club Mrs. J. Gilmer Korner	
KING'S MOUNTAIN	
Mrs. George E. Lovell	
St. Cecilia Music Club	
Mrs. Walter McEachin Miss Mary Covington Members 17	Music

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	Woman's Betterment Association	
Civics Social Service Health Education	Mrs. E. F. Reid	
	LEXINGTON	
	Club of Twelve	
Literature Education Music	Mrs. P. S. Vann	
	Civic League	
Conservation Civics Health	Mrs. H. M. Ulmer Miss Camille Hunt Members 50	
	Sorosis	
Literature	Mrs. James Mendenhall Mrs. T. Earl McCrary Members 15	
	LOUISBURG	
	Woman's Club	
Civics Conservation Health Home Economics Literature	Mrs. W. E. White Mrs. T. W. Watson Members 40	
Music	LUMBERTON	
	Civic Association	
Civics	Mrs. N. A. McLean Mrs. H. M. Anderson	

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MACON

Community Club		
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MASONBORO		
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Literature	Mrs. Thomas Griffith President Mrs. A. H. Holland Secretary Members 20
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Home Economics Health Civics Conservation	Mrs. John T. Sholar President Members 30 Secretary

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Social Service	Miss Bertie White	
	GREENVILLE	
	Woman's Club	
Art	Mrs. Mark Quinerly	President
Education Civics	Mrs. Frank Wooten	Secretary
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	Graduate Nurses Association	
Health Education	Miss Percye Powers	President
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Social Service	Mrs. R. N. Gray	Secretary
	Members 15	
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	Civic Betterment Society	
Civies Education	Mrs. J. A. Marshbourn	President
Education	Mrs. G. W. Burns	Secretary
	Members 20	· ·
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N. C. FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1

NAME

This organization shall be known as the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

ARTICLE 2

OBJECT

The object of this Federation shall be to bring the women's clubs, and other organizations of women throughout North Carolina, into relations of mutual helpfulness and cooperation.

ARTICLE 3

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Clubs desiring to join this Federation shall make application in writing to the Chairman of Membership Committee. Such application must show that the club has not less than ten members, and is pursuing some line of elevating effort.

Section 2. Other organizations of women desiring to join this Federation shall make application in writing to the Chairman of Membership Committee, stating the objects of said organization, and if not in conflict with the work of the Federation, may be admitted to membership on payment of dues.

Section 3. The unanimous vote of the Membership Committee shall be necessary to admit a club or any affiliating organization.

ARTICLE 4

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers shall be President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor.

Section 2. No two officers shall be from the same club, except the President and Corresponding Secretary, when so desired.

Section 3. No member shall hold more than one office at the same time.

ARTICLE 5

MANAGEMENT

The various kinds of work undertaken by this Federation shall be arranged into departments and managed by an Executive Board, a Council, and a Board of Directors, as hereinafter provided for. The number and names of such departments shall be recommended by the Board of Directors and confirmed by the convention.

ARTICLE 6

EXECUTIVE BOARD

The officers of the Federation shall constitute an Executive Board, which shall transact the business of the Federation, subject to its direction, and make a full report of the same at each annual meeting. Three members shall constitute a quorum. This Board shall meet at the call of the President, and shall have power to fill all vacancies which occur between annual meetings.

ARTICLE 7

COUNCIL

The Executive Board and the Chairmen of the departments shall constitute a Council, to consider and promote the interests of the State Federation of Women's Clubs. This Council shall meet once in the interim between annual meetings.

ARTICLE 8

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Council, with the presidents of clubs, or their representatives, shall constitute a Board of Directors, to consider and promote the various phases of work undertaken by this Federation. This Board of Directors shall meet once before and once after each annual convention, one-third of the members constituting a quorum. This Board of Directors shall elect the Chairmen of the various departments, no two of whom may be from the same club. The term of office of Chairmen shall be limited to two years.

ARTICLE 9

REPRESENTATION

Section 1. Each federated club of not less than ten nor more than twenty-five members shall be entitled to be represented by its President or her appointee, and one additional delegate. Clubs having more than twenty-five members shall be entitled to be represented by one additional delegate for each additional fifty members after the first twenty-five.

Section 2. Each affiliated organization shall be entitled to be represented by one delegate, who may cast one vote.

Section 3. The members of the convention entitled to vote shall be the Officers of the Federation in person, the Chairmen of Departments and of Standing Committees in person, and the delegates from clubs and affiliated organizations. Where only one delegate from a club is present the club shall be entitled to only one vote.

Section 4. A delegate may represent more than one club of which she is a member.

Section 5. Each club shall give, through its President or other delegate, a written report of the work of the club. If the club cannot send a delegate, a written report may be sent to the Recording Secretary.

Section 6. Members of clubs belonging to this Federation who are not delegates, may be present at the conventions and

may take part in the discussions, but may not introduce motions nor vote.

ARTICLE 10

DUES

Section 1. The annual dues from each club shall be ten cents per capita, payable to the Treasurer of the Federation at least one month before the annual convention. In addition, each club shall pay 25 cents as that club's share of the dues of the State Federation to the General Federation.

Section 2. Each affiliated organization shall pay an annual due of two dollars.

ARTICLE 11

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. A nominating board of five members, no two of whom shall be from the same town, shall be elected by written ballot, at the first session of the convention, and report at the time for election.

Section 2. No person may be nominated for office except a delegate, or with the endorsement of the delegates from her club. If no delegates from that club are present, the home club must be consulted through its President.

Section 3. All officers shall be elected by a written ballot, for a term of two years. A majority of those present entitled to vote shall constitute an election. The President, Second Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, and Auditor shall be elected at one annual meeting; the First Vice-President, the Recording Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected at the next annual meeting.

Section 4. On odd calendar years, nominations for North Carolina Director of General Federation of Women's Clubs shall be presented by the Nominating Committee at the same time state officers are presented. The Director shall be elected by ballot for a term of two years. The names of the person receiving a majority vote shall be presented for ratification at next biennial convention. By virtue of this office she shall be

entitled to a vote in Convention, Council and Board of Directors.

Section 5. A General Federation State Secretary shall be elected by the convention for a term of two years. She shall be the official medium of communication between the State and General Federation. By virtue of this office she shall be entitled to vote in Convention, Council and Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 12

MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings shall be held annually. The Council will decide the time for such meetings after the invitation has been accepted.

ARTICLE 13

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the State Federation by a two-thirds vote, notice of the proposed amendment having been appended to the call for the meeting.

BY-LAWS

By-law 1. The President of this Federation shall preside at all of its meetings, and shall be ex officio Chairman of the Executive Board of Directors. She shall appoint such standing committees as the Board of Directors approve, and such temporary committees as may be necessary to conduct the business.

By-law 2. The Vice-Presidents in the order of their election shall perform the duties of the President in her absence.

By-law 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all the Board meetings and of all the sessions of the convention. She shall prepare the Year Book and have it printed as early as possible.

By-law 4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the general correspondence of the Federation. She shall keep a list of all federated clubs, and shall send out notices of all meetings. She shall be a member of the Membership Committee, cast the final vote, and notify the applying club and the Chairman of the Membership Committee of the decision of that committee. She shall have in charge the distribution of the Year Books.

By-law 5. The Treasurer shall collect and hold all moneys belonging to the North Carolina Federation, and shall deposit same in some reliable bank, subject to the order of the Executive Board. She shall notify delinquent clubs of arrears in dues. She shall be a member of the Credential Committee, and validate the credentials of delegates. She shall make an annual report.

By-law 6. The Auditor shall inspect the books of the Treasurer and report thereon annually.

By-law 7. The Custodian shall have the care of all official

documents belonging to this Federation. She shall be a member of a federated club in Raleigh, and her appointment, which shall be by the President, shall not debar her from holding any office or position in the Federation. She shall report at the annual meeting. The Custodian as such shall not be entitled to a vote in convention.

By-law 8. Standing Committees on Finance, Membership, Legislation, District Chairman and Presidents of District shall be elected by the Board of Directors. The elected Chairman of Standing Committee, Chairman of Districts and Presidents of Districts shall be privileged to vote in the meetings of the Council, Board of Directors, and the annual convention.

By-law 9. The Chairmen of Publicity and Bureau of Information shall be elected by the Board of Directors, and shall be entitled to vote in the meetings of Council, Board of Directors and the annual convention.

By-law 10. A Committee on Credentials shall be appointed by the President before the opening of the convention, and the members thereof notified of the duties expected of them. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Credentials to inspect and validate the credential cards presented by the delegates, and report thereon to the convention as early as possible.

By-law 11. The Committee on Resolutions shall be appointed by the President at the opening session of the convention. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Resolutions to consider carefully all resolutions submitted before presenting same to the convention.

By-law 12. A Program Committee shall be appointed by the President. It shall be the duty of this committee to cooperate with the local committee from the club extending the invitation to arrange for the proceedings of the convention, and the program so arranged must be submitted to the President for approval.

By-law 13. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to devise ways and means, further than the dues from the clubs, for supplying funds to promote the work undertaken by the Federation.

By-law 14. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Legislation to use the influence of the federated clubs to promote such legislation as is in line with the work of this Federation.

By-law 15. It shall be the duty of the Membership Committee to organize new clubs whenever and wherever desirable, and to invite such new clubs and other eligible unfederated clubs to join the Federation. The Chairman shall direct this work, shall keep the application blanks, and shall extend to new clubs organized or recommended by the other members of the committee, an invitation to join the Federation.

The unanimous vote of this committee shall be necessary to admit a club, the Corresponding Secretary casting the last vote and notifying the club of the action of the committee. Applications for membership must be accompanied by the amount of annual dues, which after admission of the club, shall be forwarded by the Chairman of Membership Committee to the Treasurer of the Federation.

It shall be the duty of the Membership Committee to investigate the condition of any club reported to be below standard, to assist in reorganization if desired, and if necessary to drop the name from the Federation register, under the provisions of By-law 17. The unanimous vote of this committee shall be necessary to drop a name. The President and the Recording Secretary shall at once be notified, and report shall be made to the next convention.

By-law 16. It shall be the duty of Chairman of Districts to have general supervision of districts and, cooperating with the Presidents of Districts, arrange for annual meetings in their respective districts. The duty of the District Presidents shall be to federate clubs, to organize new clubs and county federations. They shall give report of their work at the annual convention.

By-law 17. Clubs desiring to withdraw from the Federation must inform the Chairman of the Membership Committee of this desire, and must have paid the dues for the current year. A club temporarily disorganized, falling below entrance requirements, failing to hold regular meetings, or failing to pay Federation dues, shall lose its vote at an annual meeting then occurring, and if said condition continue twelve months, the name of the club shall be dropped from the Federation register by the Membership Committee. To reenter, a club shall make application and a vote shall be taken as prescribed for a new club, as in By-law 15.

By-law 18. It shall be the duty of the Chairmen of Departments to promote in the clubs and throughout the state the work for which the various departments stand, by urging the clubs to greater activity and cooperation on said lines, and in every other practical way to advance the line of work represented.

By-law 19. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of Publicity to make known through the press what work is being done by this Federation, so as to secure more universal cooperation. She shall in every possible way increase knowledge of, and interest in, the work undertaken and accomplished by this Federation.

By-law 20. The Federation Board of Trustees shall consist of five members. Of these, two shall be the President of the North Carolina Federation and the Chairman of Finance, who shall serve ex officio during their terms of office. The other three shall be elected by the convention for six-year terms, one in May, 1915, and one every second year thereafter. Any vacancy occurring shall be filled at the next annual meeting by the election of a member for the unexpired term. To hold the position of Trustee shall not entitle any member to an additional vote in convention. Meetings shall be held at the call of the President, or by request of any two members of the Board. Three members shall constitute a quorum. A report shall be made by the Trustees at each annual meeting.

The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the investment of Endowment Fund. Investments shall be made in the name

of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, and shall be held by the Federation Treasurer. Only the interest on the Endowment Fund may be used, and this only as authorized by the convention.

The Board of Trustees shall act as an Advisory Board for the Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund, meeting at the call of the President and Chairman of Education, or by request of two members of the Board of Trustees. The Sallie Southall Cotten Loan Fund shall not be permanently invested, but shall be lent to worthy North Carolina girls in such sums as may be needed to aid in securing their education, and on such terms as may from time to time be laid down by the convention. Application for loans shall be made to the Chairman of Education, and when approved by her and her committee, the money shall be paid and notes taken by the Treasurer in the name of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

By-law 21. There shall be no salaried officers. Necessary expenses incurred by the officers and chairmen in the service of the Federation may be refunded from the treasury by order of the President.

By-law 22. Two whole days during each annual convention shall be devoted entirely to business.

By-law 23. Delegates and alternates to the Biennial Convention of the General Federation shall be nominated and elected from the floor of the convention.

By-law 24. Members of the Executive Board who are unavoidably absent from a meeting shall receive copies of the minutes of that meeting.

By-law 25. Past Presidents of this Federation shall be entitled to a vote in convention, and all the privileges of delegates, as long as they remain members of a club in the North Carolina Federation.

By-law 26. Mrs. Fox's book on Parliamentary Usage for Women's Clubs shall be the authority for the conduct of all meetings of this Federation.

By-law 27. Section 1. These By-laws may be amended at any annual meeting of this Federation by a two-thirds vote, notice of the amendment having been appended to the call of the meeting.

Section 2. These By-laws may be amended at any annual meeting of this Federation by a unanimous vote, without previous notice.

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